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D. Fay McGlauflin

Justice of Peace.

NOTES ON WATERTOWN
LANDS, GRANTS AND POSSESSIONS

By J. Gardner Bartlett

Part 2 of the Printed Vol. I of the Watertown Records has from pages 15 to 146 three Inventories of Grants and Possessions; the so-called First Inventory covering pages 15-67, the so-called Second Inventory covering pages 68-113, and the so-called Third Inventory covering pages 114-146.

The purpose of these notes is to show that these Inventories have been erroneously numbered chronologically; that the so-called Second Inventory was really the First one made; that the so-called Third Inventory was really the Second one made; and that the so-called First Inventory was really the Third one made.

At the General Court held 9 September 1639, an order was passed "To record all mens houses and lands, being certified under the hands of the men of every towne, deputed for the ordering of their affairs." (Records of Colony of Massachusetts Bay, Vol. 1 [printed], p. 276.)

In compliance with this law, on 4 Jan. 1641/2, the selectmen of Watertown "ordered that Simon Eire shall write a Transcript of the Lands in a Booke and give it in to the Court." (Watertown Records, printed Vol. 1, Part 1, p. 7.) Mr. Eyre, the Town Clerk, soon undertook this compilation and first made an Inventory of all the GRANTS only; this actual FIRST INVENTORY is the erroneously so-called Second Inventory, and covers pages 68-113. This really First Inventory was therefore started after 4 Jan. 1641/2, and must have been completed before 10 May 1642, as on that date the allotments of the large farms in Weston were made, and none of these grants are included in this Inventory. (See printed Vol. 1, Part 2, pp. 11-14.) This Inventory was the one turned into the General Court on 18 May 1642, when "Watertowne delivering in a transcript of their lands, nott being perfect was lent them back again." (Records of Colony of Massachusetts Bay, Vol. 2 [printed], p. 2.)

The above Inventory was "nott perfect" as it did not include the large farm grants of 10 May 1642 and the records of possessions acquired by inheritance or purchase. Therefore a SECOND INVENTORY was made by Mr. Eyre of such POSSESSIONS only, which is the erroneously so-called Third Inventory and covers pages 114-146. Internal evidences show that this Second Inventory of Possessions was made after 20 July 1642, as John Sherman possessed an 8 acre meadow lot he had bought on that date from Samuel Saltonstall (See Watertown Records, Vol. 1, Part 2, p. 138, and Suffolk County Deeds, Vol. 1, p. 41); also after 9

Nov. 1643, as William Page possessed a 6 acre upland lot he had bought on that date from Widow Simson (See Watertown Records, Vol. 1, Part 2, p. 145, and Suffolk County Deeds, Vol. 1, p. 56); also after 2 Nov. 1643, as Isaac Sterne possessed a 60 acre upland lot no. 25 in the 3d division which he had bought on that date from Thomas Ruck (See Watertown Records, Vol. 1, Part 2, p. 117, and Suffolk County Deeds, Vol. 1, p. 46); also after 1 Dec. 1643 as John Biggellye [Bigelow] possessed a 20 acre upland lot, no. 15 in the 1st division which he had bought on that date from William Bridges (See Watertown Records, Vol. 1, Part 2, p. 140, and Suffolk County Deeds, Vol. 1, p. 46). But it was made before 16 Nov. 1644 as on that date Thomas Boyden bought a 2 acre meadow lot from George Parkhurst who possessed it when this Second Inventory was made (See Watertown Records, Vol. 1, Part 2, p. 142, and Suffolk County Deeds, Vol. 1, p. 54). It therefore appears that this Second Inventory of Possessions (erroneously called the Third Inventory), was made between 1 Dec. 1643 and 16 Nov. 1644.

Having thus listed, first the Grants, and secondly the Possessions, Mr. Eyre from these two compiled a THIRD INVENTORY OF GRANTS AND POSSESSIONS being the results of the other two Inventories, and this Third Inventory is the erroneously so-called First Inventory and covers pages 15-67. This THIRD INVENTORY was made after 1 Dec. 1643 as John Biggelye is listed as owner of the 20 acre upland lot no. 15 in the 1st division which he had bought on that date from William Bridges (See Watertown Records, Vol. 1, Part 2, p. 58, and Suffolk County Deeds, Vol. 1, p. 46). But it was made before 16 Nov. 1644 as on that date Thomas Boyden bought a two acre meadow lot from George Parkhurst who is listed as the owner of this lot when this Third Inventory was made (See Watertown Records, Vol. 1, Part 2, p. 62, and Suffolk County Deeds, Vol. 1, p. 54).

To sum up:

The actual First Inventory, of Grants only, (erroneously called the Second Inventory and covering pages 68-113), was made between 4 Jan. 1641/2 and 10 May 1642.

The actual Second Inventory, of Possessions only, by inheritance or purchase, (erroneously called the Third Inventory and covering pages 114-146), was made between 1 Dec. 1643 and 16 Nov. 1644.

The actual Third Inventory of ownership both by Grants and by Possessions by purchase and inheritance, (erroneously called the First Inventory and covering pages 15-67), was a combined compilation of the actual First and Second Inventories, and was made subsequent to the latter, but between 1 Dec. 1643 and 16 November 1644.

ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO VOLUMES ONE TO FOUR

By Elizabeth French Bartlett

The following list of additions and corrections to the indices of the first four published volumes of the Watertown Records have been compiled in part from an annotated copy of these volumes, now in the library of the New England Historic Genealogical Society, but formerly the property of the late Charles F. Fitz of Watertown, a member of the committee which had charge of publishing these volumes, and in part from notes made by me.

Vol. 1. Index of Land Grants and Possessions. Index to Inventories.

Saltenstall, Samuel, for 45 read 48.

Vol. 1. Index of Births, Marriages and Deaths.

Bacon, John, omit 63.
Barron, Lydia, omit 45.
Bartlett, Thomas, add 10.
Bowman, Martha, add 56.
Bright, add Joseph, 65.
Bull, Andrew, add 54.
Church, Thomas, omit.
Coolidge, Daniel, for 35 read 55.
Dow, Mary, omit 42.
Eddy, Jonathan, omit.
Fay, Mary, omit 15.
Fisk, Daniel, omit.
Grant, Caleb, for 59 read 54.
Grant, Susanna, omit.
Harrington, Joseph, omit 65.
" Martha,, omit.
Hawkins, Hannah, for 6 read 7.
" Timothy, for 6 read 7.
Jones, Jonah, omit.
Kemball, John, for 4 read 5.
Lewis, Mary, omit 16.
Mason, Mary, add 8.
Meddup, Sarah, omit 65.
Perry, Joanna, for 25 read 35.
" Sary, omit 65.
Peirce, Benjamin, add 53.
" Joseph, add 59.
Pierson, Jonathan, omit.
Robinson, omit Ebenezer.
Rogers, Thomas, omit 54.
Simpson, omit Hannah.
Stearns, omit Theophilus.
Stone, omit Jane, 38.
Sweetman, Sary, for 3 read 38.
Waters, Anne, omit 11.

Vol. 2. Index of Births, Marriages and Deaths.

Bail, Samuel, Susanna and William should read, Ball, Samuel, Susanna and William.
Ball, Samuel, omit 11, and for 107 read 103.
Add Bull, Samuel, 11.
Bigelow, Mary, omit 23.
" add Mercy 23.

TOWN PROCEEDINGS.

Vol. 2. Index of Subjects.

Precincts, for 207 read 209, for 276 read 277, for 314 read 315.

Vol. 3. Index of Births, Marriages and Deaths.

Adams, for Silome read Silence.
Alden, add Rebecca, 236.
Babcock, Elizabeth, add 170, 179, 180.

Barnard, Elizabeth, add 185.
" James, add 185.
" Maj. Samuel, add 185.
" Sarah, add 195.
Baxter, Eunice, add 176.
" Newton, add 176.
Add Beal, Ebenezer, 146.
Bellows, for Samuel Moore read Samuel Morse.
Bemis, David, add 137.
" add John, 145.
" Mary, add 137.
Benjamin, Mary, add 131.
" Samuel, add 131.
Bigelow, Eleazer, add 119.
" George Tyler, omit 194.
" Marv, add 119.
" Tyler, add 194.
Bird, add Hitty, 194.
" add Marshall, 194.
Bisco, add Jonas, 161.
" omit Joseph, 160.
Add Bolter, Eliza, 219.
Add " James Davis, 219.
Bond, Elias, for 164 read 161.
" Henry, add 178.
" Hitty, omit 194.
" Joseph, omit 194.
" Lydia, add 235.
" omit Marshall, 194.
" Mary, add 222, 242, and omit 228.
" add Nancy, 228.
" Sarah, add 131.
" add Susan, 186.
Bradish, James, for 157 read 151.
Bridge, Sally, omit 167, 168.
" Sarah, add 167, 168.
Bright, Hannah, add 123.
" John, for 129 read 130.
" Jonathan, add 213.
" Joseph, add 111.
" Josiah, add 154.
" Susanna, add 188.
Brown, Adam, for 151 read 181.
" for Catty read Catherine.
" Jonathan, omit 162.
" Sally, add 177.
" add Samuel, 151.
" Sarah, omit 151.
Carter, Betsey, add 199.
" omit Prince, 199.
Add Chase, Thomas, 240.
Chenry, Chenery, Ebenezer, add 117.
" " Moses, for 183 read 188.
" " William, add 171.
Child, add Ebeneber, 129.
" omit Eleazer.
" Jonathan, add 204.
" Joseph, add 160.
" Nancy, add 204.
Clark, Elizabeth, add 163.
" Uriah, add 122, 136.
Cockran, add John, 175.
Cook, Hannah, add 243.
" John, add 170.
" Samuel, for 170 read 171.
" Susanna, add 170.
Coolige, Coolidge, Dorothy, for 142 read 143.
" " add Elijah 115.
" " Elizabeth, add 198.
" " Hannah Stowell, omit 191.
" " add Hannah Wellington,
" " Hephzebah, add 155.
" " Joseph, for 120 read 126.
" " Mary, add 134.
" " add Nathan, 150.
" " Nathaniel, for 142 read 143.
" " Samuel, add 127, 138.
" " Simon, add 127.
" " Susanna, add 153.
" " William, add 153.
Cornwall, for David read Daniel.
" Thomas, add 187.
Davis, add Eliza, 222, 241.
" Elizabeth, omit 222, 241.
" omit Elizabeth, 121.
" James, add 120.
" Sarah, add 120.
Dix, add Elijah, 121.
" omit Elizabeth, 121.
Dudley, John, omit 234.
" add Samuel, 234.
Durant, John, for 236 read 227.
" Maria, for 227 read 236.
Esty, Easty, for 239 read 237.
Everett, add Sarah 170.

Fairbanks, for Martin read Martha, 114.
Fanning, omit Fanny, 222.
Add Fanny, Lydia, 222.
Faxon, Nathaniel, for 228 read 238.
Add Felton, Benjamin, 136.

Add Felton, Lucy, 136.
Fisk, Lucy, omit 179.
" Lydia, add 179.
" Samuel, add 140.
" add Susan, 129.
Fowle, Mary, add 169.
French, omit Ebenezer, 125.
" omit Esther, 124.
Frost, add Ebenezer, 125.
" add Esther, 124.
Gardner, Eleanor, add 145.
" add Elizabeth, 172.
" Hannah, for 151 read 150.
George, add Mary Ann, 204.
Gilbert, omit Mary.
Gilman, Samuel, for 219 read 218.
Gobble, Joanna, for 231 read 234.
Goddard, omit Jonah, 119.
" Josiah, add 119.
Godding, Joanna, omit 112.
" William, add 146.
Grant, Mary, omit 120.
" Mercy, add 120.
Gray, Sarah, for 157 read 151.
Greenwood, add Joseph 125.
Add Grimes, James, 113, 120.
" " Keziah, 120.
" " Samuel, 120.
" " Sarah, 120.
" Grover, Hannah, 113.
Hagar, Margery, add 217.
" Mary, add 139.
" Samuel, add 139.
" Susanna, for 138 read 139.
Hammond, Abigail, omit 137.
" Add Abijah, 137.
Harrington, Anna, add 122.
" Charles, omit 210.
" Edward, add 122.
" Grace, add 148.
" Peter, add 129.
" Sally, add 210.
" Susanna, add 182, 183.
" William, add 166, 169.
Harris, Anna, add 137.
" Elijah, for 213 read 243.
" Hannah, for 252 read 212.
" Sarah, add 137.
" Stephen, add 137, 145, 149.
Hastings, for Ann read Anna.
" Jonas, add 174.
" Simon, omit 162, add 117.
Add Hathaway, Simon, 162.
Haynes, Lydia, add 197.
Higgins, Luke, add 235.
Honey, Calvin, for 229 read 234.
Hosmen, John, should read Hosmer, John.
Hunt, omit Daniel, Henry and Lucy.
Hunting, John, for 199 read 198.
Jackson, add Susanna, 163.
Jenison, Abigail, add 119, 126.
" Samuel, add 189.
Kemball, John, add 133.
" Mary, add 151.
Kendall, Paul, for 131 read 231.
Lawrence, add Abigail, 112.
" Anna, omit 183.
" add Nathaniel, 183.
Learned, Abigail, add 145.
" Bezaleel, add 129.
" Daniel, omit 126.
" add David, 126.
" Elisha, add 153.
" Fanning, add 145.
" add John, 154.
" Jonas, add 145.
" Maria Coolidge, 239.
" Mary, add 126.
" Mercy, add 145, omit 126.
" Phineas, for 206 read 240.
" Sarah, add 153.
" Tabitha, add 145.
" Thomas, add 152, 235.
" William, add 154.
Leathe, Lethe, Ann, add 231.
" add Frances, 174.
" Francis, add 149.
" Hannah, add 136, for 128 read 228.
Leverett, add Katherine, 178.
Add Lincoln, Anna, 236.
" " Caleb, 214, 240.
" " Harriet, 210, 239.
Livermore, Amos, for 115 read 111.
" omit Frances, 149.
" Ruth, add 124.
Malay, James, omit 227.
Mallard, James, add 227.
Mason, Grace, add 119, 123.
" add Isaac, 176.
" Joseph, add 119, 123.
" Martha, add 176.
" Sarah, add 123.
Meacham, add Albert, 203.
Mead, add Betsy, 170.
" Israel, add 128, 129.
Morse, Nancy, for 231 read 234.

Nichols, Mary, add 204, 211.
Norcross, Sally, omit 152.
" add Seth, 152.
Peirce, Joseph, add 193, 226.
" William, add 193.

Perry, Hannah, add 120.
" Josiah, add 120.
Pike, add Betsey, 230.
Pratt, add Susannah, 243.
Prentice, Benjamin, for 150 read 156.
" Smith, add 123.
" add Stanton, 114.
For Prevett, read Privett.
Prichard, omit John, 196.
Ray, for Elijah Rowell, read Elijah Roswell.
Richardson, John, add 196.
" Thomas, for 147 read 197.
Robbins Nathaniel, for 223 read 225.
Ruggles, Mary, for 136 read 139.
Russell, for Eliza C., read Eliza Crocker.
" for Jane Ann K., read Jane Ann Kendall.
" Lucy, for 207 read 206.
" for Lucy S., read Lucy Stimpson.
Add Ryant, Rachel, 232.
Saltmarsh, Mary, omit 115.
Sanderson, Hanna, add 161.
" add Hannah Prentice, 183, 226.
" Isaac, add 161.
" add Lydia, 192.
Sanger, Abraham, add 216.
" Nathaniel, add 143.
" Samuel, add 154, 194.
Sawin, Daniel, add 142.
" John, add 113, 132.
Sherman, Charles, add 210.
Smith, Grace, add 181, 185.
" Lydia, add 181.
Soden, omit Anna and Grace .
" add Mary, 154.
" Samuel, add 144, 148, 154, 171, 221.
" Susanna, omit 137, 221.
Somes, add John, 221.
" add Samuel, 221, 241.
Add Souther, Moses, 158.
Add Southworth, Rebecca, 139.
Spring, Convers, for 147 read 149.
" Jedediah, add 137.
" Lydia, add 122.
" Sarah Sewell, for 227 read 229.
Stearns, Hannah, add 178.
" Peter, add 118.
Stone, Elizabeth, add 136.
" Hannah, add 132, 171.
" Jonathan, add 132.
Stone, add Malinda, 236.
" omit Matilda, 236.
" Moses, add 132, 181.
" Rhoda, add 197, 231.
" William, add 181.
Stratton, Joshua, omit 143.
" Mary, add 129.
" William, omit 143.
Swift, add Elizabeth, 236.
Taylor, add John, 162.
Tayntor, add Clarissa, 229.
" Hannah, add 178.
" add Rebecca, 111.
" Samuel, add 142.
" Susanna, add 134, 158, and omit 133.
Add Temple, Hannah, 205.
Add " Jerusha, 235.
Add Tenny, Lydia, 242.
Thatcher, Ebenezer, for 120 read 129.
" add Samuel, 134.
Thayer, for Zephear, read Zepheon, and add 191.
Thomas, Sarah, add 240.
Add Tilton, Patty, 231.
Tolman, add Mehitable, 231.
" add Sally, 186, 226.
Tower, add Augustus, 182, 225.
Tufts, Benjamin, for 194 read 199.
" add Mary, 158.
Turner, Joseph, add 195.
Add Twitchell Jonas, 115.
Upham, for Lavis read Lewis.
Wales, Susanna, add 166.
Warren, add Elijah, 123.
" Elizabeth, add 123.
" Joshua, add 123.
Add Waters, Daniel, 241.
Weeks, add Daniel Pinkney Parker, 221.
" David, add 221.
" Nancy, add 221.
Add Webb, Deliverance, 141.
Weld, omit Deliverance, 141.
Wellington, Enoch, omit 231.
" add Ephraim, 231.
" Rebecca S., for 227 read 229.
Wheeler, John B., for 230 read 236.
White, Abigail, omit 169, 202, 236.
" Abijah, add 169, 202, 236.
" omit Alvarious, 223.
" John, for 140 read 144.
Add Whiting, Sally, 225.
Whitney, Abigail, add 166, 168, 169.
" Alvarious. add 223.

Whitney, Catherine, add 230.
" Charles, add 175.
" Elisha, add 131.
" Israel, add 116.
" Jemima, omit 116, 133.
" Johanna, add 116, 133.
" John, omit 119.
" add Joshua, 116.
" add Lemuel, 228.
" Leonard, omit 228.
" Mary, add 170.
" Maria, for 199 read 198.
" Relief, add 160.

Whitney, Samuel, add 121.
" Simon, omit 121.
" Sukey, for 191 read 195.
" Susanna, for 174 read 170.

Williams, William, for 232 read 111.

Woodward, add Nathaniel, 231.

Wyeth. After Jonathan Wyeth, 203, 237, the following names, Joshua, Lydia, Lydia W., and Mary, should have the name Wyeth prefixed.

VOL. 4. INDEX OF EAST PRECINCT AND PASTORS' RECORDS.

Barnard, Jonathan, omit 156.

WATERTOWN RECORDS

Fifth Book, begun March 3rd, 1745-6

1745/6. [1] At a General Town Meeting of the free-holders and other Inhab^{ts}: of Watertown Regulerly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting houſe in said Town on the Third day of March A. D. 1745 for the Choice of Town Officers &c

Voted and Choſe Mr Jonas Bond Moderator for s^{d} meeting.

Voted and Chooſe for Selectmen
- Joſeph Maſon Esqr.
- Mr Jonas Bond
- Mr Eben^{r}. Stone
- Mr Oliver Livermore
- Mr John Bright.

Voted and Choſe for Town Clerk—Joseph Maſon Esqr.

Voted and Choſe for Town Treaſurer Joseph Maſon Esqr.

Voted to Choſe Two Conſtables for the preſent Year.

Voted and Choſe Mr Jonas Coolidge firſt Conſtable

Voted and Choſe Mr Amos Bond Second Conſtable

Voted and Choſe for Aſseſsors
- Nathl. Harris Esqr
- Mr Thos: Saltmarſh
- Joseph Maſon Esqr.

Voted and Choſe for Sealer of Leather Mr Isaac Sanderſon

Voted and Choſe for fence Viewers
- Meſs^{rs} Simon Coollidge
- Samuel Jeniſon

Voted and Choſe for Surveyers of Highways
- Mr James Baley
- M^{r} W^{m}: Coollidge

Voted and Choſe for Tythingmen
- Mr Samuel Cooke
- Mr Chriſtopher Grant

Voted and Choſe for Hogrieves
- Mr Isaac Holdin
- M^{r} Joſiah Perry jun^{r}

Voted and Choſe for Deerrieves
- Mr. Thos: Saltmarſh
- Mr Jona^{n}. Bemis

Voted and Choſe for Surveyers and Meaſ^{rs} of Timber plank &c
- Mr Jonas Coollidge
- Mr Ebenezer Thornton

Voted and Choſe for Hawards
- Mr Uriah Clark
- Mr Saml. Warrin jun^{r}

Voted and Choſe for gager of Cask Mr Smith Prentice

Voted and Choſe for Saxton Mr Ebenezer Hastings.

Voted to pay the Saxton for his care & trouble by Two Contrabutions as Uſual.

Then the Town Brought in their Votes for a County Regester. As alſo their Votes for a County Treaſurer.

Then the Town Treafurer Laid his Acc^{ts}. before the Town And the Amount of ye Acc^{t} in the Treafurey old Tener was

£723 : 05 : .4

The Treafurey's Credit of Sundry payments amounted to	579 : 06 : ..	
Outstanding in ye Conftables hands	.44 : 15 : .3	
In the Treafurey	099 : 04 : .1	
		£723 : 05 : .4

The

[2] The Vote was put whether the Town do Accept and Allow of the Town Treafurers Acc^{ts}. And the Vote paft in the Affirmative.

Voted that the Intreft money Coming to the Town this Year ye Year beginning ye Eleventh of Decemb^{r}. Laft be Appropriated for the help Maintaing of the Miniftry & School in the Town this prefent Year.

Voted and Granted for ye Rev^{d} m^{r} Seth Storers Salery According to Contract One Hundred pounds Old Ten^{r} £100 : 00 : 00

Voted as An Addition to ye Revd Mr Storers Salery for this prefent Year to be paid out of ye Intereft money abovesaid the sum of One Hundred and Ten pounds Old Tenner.

Voted for the Support of ye Grammer and Englifh School for the p^{r}fent Year to be paid out of ye Intereft mone abovesaid the sum of One Hundred pounds old Tenner.

Voted and Granted for the Support of ye poor this prefent Year the Sum of Thirty pounds old Tenner £030 : 00 : 00

Voted and Granted the Sum of fifty pounds old Tenner for the Repairs of ye Great Bridge over Charles River in said Town.

50 : 00 : 00

Then a Lift of ye Debts due from the Town to Sundry Perfons was Laid before ye Town Amounting to Thirty Nine pounds 11/6 & Allowed

Voted and Granted the Sum of Thirty nine pounds 11/6 old Tenner to Satisfy and pay the aboves^{d} Accounts	.39 : 11 : .6
Voted and Granted to Mr Joseph Harrington for drawing timber and Clearing ye Country Road ye sum of Ten pounds 15/ old Ten^{r} & what he shall git of perticuler perfons y^{t} owned ye Timb^{r}. (if any he doth to be paid to ye Town or Difcounted out of this grant)	10 : 15 : 00
Voted and Granted to Joseph Mafon Esqr for his Service in the Town Affairs for the Year 1745	.20 : 00 : 00

Voted that the Town Ways be mended by the prefent Survey^{rs}

this Year with the Arreriges remaining behind in their Lifts of Rates.
Conftable Thomas Homans Afk't the Town to Abate Henry Bright jur Decd his Rate 12/4 & Jacob Hills Decd his Rate 13/.
And ye Town by Vote Abated & Sunck sd Rates
& Granted So much as to make them good ..1 : 05 : .4
The Town Voted and Sunk in Conftable Saml Prentices Lists of Rates vizt: all Jacob Hills wch was 46/4 old. Tenr. Widw: Mary Grants 11/8 Henry Bright junr Decd. 25/ which in all makes four pounds 3/ old Tenr.
Voted and Granted ye Sum of four pounds 3/
to make good ye Sink in Conftable Prentices Listes .4 : .3 : 00
Voted and Sunk in Conftable Edw. Harringtons Listes viz Wm. Ward 32/8 Richd King's 23/. Jofhua Warrins 14/4 all is 3=10—.. old Tenr. and as Mr Harrington had paid ye same & made up wth ye Treafurer.
Voted and Granted to Satisfy Mr Herrington
for wt ye Town Sunk in his Lifts wch he had
paid &c .3 : 10 : 00
Voted and Sunk in Jofiah Stearns Listes of Rates vizt. Jofhua Warrins 18/4 Andw. Smiths 16/4. Wm. Wards 24/8 old Tenr all is 2=19=.4
Voted and Granted the Sum of Two pounds
Ninteen Shillings & 4d to Satisfy and make good
wt was Sunk in sd Starnes Lifts .2 : 19 : .4

Then

[3] Then the Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to purchafe that Acrer of Land belonging to ye Widw. Hannah Fisk wch Lyes in Common with Land belonging to ye Minifteral place (Near Thomas Wellingtons) if it may be had on Reafonable Terms. And the Vote paft in the Affirmative.
Voted not to purchafe any wood land at prefent.

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Choofe & Impower a Committee to purchafe ye Land of ye Widw. Hannah Fisk Voted already to be purchafed if it may be had. & ye Vote paft in ye Affirmative
Voted and Chofe Joseph Mason Esqr Mr Daniel Whitney & Capn. Thomas Homans to be the Commitye for ye Ends abovesd.
Voted That ye Committee give Bond in behalf of ye Town to Mrs Fiske in cafe they Should purchafe till the Town Shall Agree how it shall be paid.
In the Cafe of Mr Saml. Coollidge after Debat thereon. Voted that the Town Leave that Affair to the Difcretion of ye Selectmen to mannage with prudence for the Town.
Voted that Swine run at Large under the Regulations in the Law in that behalf provided.

Voted that the by Law referring to horſes made Laſt Year be Confirmed for this Year. vizt. That no perſon or perſons Shall Suffer their horſes or horſe kind above the Age of Six months to Run at Large with in the Limmetts of Watertown without their being well fettred from the firſt Day of April next to ye Laſt day of October following under the penalty or forfiture of Two ſhillings and six pence for evry one found without fetters.
Voted that Joseph Maſon & Nathl. Harris Esq^{rs}.. Lay the Same before the Court of General Seſsions of ye peace for their Confirmation

The Ninteenth Article referring to ye Raiſing of Money to Lye as a fund for the highering of men into ye war &c was Red & debated. and the Vote was put whether the Town would Act upon said Ninteenth Article. And the Vote past in the Negative. The Twentyeth Article Viz^{t}. to hear the Petition of sundry of ye Inhab^{ts}. of ye Town Relating to Dogs &c. Was by a Vote of ye Town Continued to Next May Meeting.—

N. B. The Vote of the Town Relating to horſes &c. was Laid before the Court of Seſsions held at Charlſtown ye Second Tueſday of March Currant (by me ye Subſcriber) and Confirmed by Said Court

Att.

Joseph Mason

[4] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Wid^{w}. Mary Learneds on the 7th. of March A. D. 1745/6. for the Swaring of Town Officers. At s^{d} Meeting the following perſons were Sworn to their Reſpective Offices. vizt.

Joseph Maſon Esqr. to the Office of Town Clerk, To ye Office of Town Treaſurer & to the Office of Aſseſsor. Pr Nathl. Harris Esqr.

Jonas Coollidge Amos Bond	to ye office of Constable	Sworn Pr Joseph Mason Jus^{ts} of peace
Nathl. Harris Esqr Thos. Saltmarſh	Aſseſsors — — — —	
Simon Coollidge Saml Jeniſon	Fence Viewers Sworn ye 17th: day	
Isaac Holdin hogrieve — — — — — — — — —		
Thos. Saltmarſh Dear Rieve — — — — — — —		
Jonas Coollidge Ebenez^{r}. Thornton	Survey^{rs} & Meaſurers of Timb^{r} &c — — —	
Uriah Clark Saml. Warrin jun^{r}	Hawards — — — — —	

At the meeting aboves^{d} ye Selectmen Agre'd wth m^{r} Nath Harrington to keep the Grammer and Engliſh School in s^{d} Town, And to be paid for his Service after the Rate of One hundred pounds Pr Year for the time he Shall keep the s^{d} School, And if he Should Se cauſe to Quit the S^{d} School befor the End of the Year in that Caſe to give the Selectmen timly Notice.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of Joseph Mason Esqr. on ye 17th. of March 1745/6.

There being wanting to Compleat the Town's Stock of Powder and Ball According to Law vizt better than a Barrel of powder of Ball ab^t^. 200 lb The Selectmen Agred and Deſired Joseph Mason Esqr & Mr Oliver Livermore (Two of ye Selectmen) to take the Money paid to the Selectmen of ye powder Rate &c. and purchaſe so much Powder and ball as is wanting to Compleat the Towns Stock and if there be Money wanting of ye above Collection, that the Town Treaſurer is ordred to pay what is wanting out of ye Town Treaſury and that an Acc^t^ of y^r^ proceedings be Laid before ye Selectmen at y^r^ Next Meeting.

Whereas Mr Joseph Child who has had the Care of ye Town's Ammuniſion for a long time is Deſireous that an other place may be provided. deſired that Miſs^rs^. Jonas Bond and Ebenez^r^ Stone to go to Capt Joseph Coollidge to se whether they could prevail with him to Let it be put into his Mill houſe Chamber that being a Convenant and Safe place from Danger.

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^ Jonas Bond on the 24th Day of March 1745/6. The Perſons Appointed to purchaſe Powder and Ball &c. Reported as follow's. That they (with y^e^ Aſsistance of m^r^ Jonas Bond) have purchaſed one Barrel of Powder of 113 lb with the Cask at fifty five pounds old Tenner. And 194 lb of Bullets at 22^d^ P £17=15=.8 which Makes in the Whole — — — — — — — — — — — £72=15=.8

That they had paid out of y^e^ Money paid to y^e^ Selectmen &c. 56=10=.6

And of Money Rec^d^ out of y^e^ Town Treaſury — — — — — — — — — 16″ 15—.2 72=15=.8

And that they had got y^e^ s^d^ Powder and Ball brought up into the Town

That there Now is in the Town Two Barrels of powder of 205 lb wth y^e^ Tare And About 400 lb of bullets of Several Sizes and about 700 flints.—

At this Meeting The Selectmen Agreed with Mr John Coollidge (no other perſon Appearing) to Board the Wid^w^. Webb for one Year from the Twenty fifth of this Inſtant March after the Rate of Ten Shillings P^r^ week old Tenner and He to Look after her well under her preſent Circumſtances And Infirmities of old Age, and if any Extrordnary care should happen through Sicknefs or otherwiſe to be alowed over and Above ye s^d^ 10/ P week Reaſonable Satisfaction therefor.—to wch S^d^ Coollidge Conſented.—

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at Ebenezer Ston's on ye 2^d^ day of May 1746.

The Selectmen having Received a Preceipt Requiring y^m^ to cauſe their Town to be forth with Aſsembled to Elect and Deput a Perſon to Repreſent them in a great & General Court or Aſsembly Appointed to be Convened and held at ye Court houſe in Boston on Wedneſday ye 28th. of May Currant.

In Obſervance of s^d^ Preceipt the Selectmen Ordred the Clerk To Isue out Warrants to the Conſtables of said Town to Warn the Freeholders and other Inhab^ts^. of s^d^ Town with in their Reſpective Diſtricts who are Quallified to Vote in ye Choice of a Repreſentative, To Aſsemble and Meet at ye Publick Meeting houſe in s^d^ Town on Wedneſday the 14th. day of May Currant at three of ye Clock afternoon Then and there to Elect & Depute one meet perſon to Serve for and Repreſent them in a great and General Court or Aſsembly Appointed to be Convened held & kept for his Majesty's Service at the Court houſe in Boston on the 28th. Day of this Inſtant May.

—Alſo to Require the Said Conſtables to Warn the freeholders and other Inhab^ts^. of s^d^ Town with in their Reſpective Diſtricts, who are Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs to meet at the Publick Meeting houſe in s^d^ Town on the s^d^ 14th Day of this Inſtant May at five of ye Clock after noon for the Ends following:

1. To Chooſe a Moderator. 2^ly^. To Act upon the Affair y^t^ was Referred from March Meeting to May Meeting.

3^ly^. The Committy who were Choſen & Impowred to purchaſe a piece of Land Lying in Common with Land belonging to ye Miniſterel place having purchaſed the same. To know the Mind of ye Town how they will pay & Satisfy for s^d^ Land. whether by diſpoſing of some piece or pieces of Land belonging to the Town, or by calling in some of ye Money wch is upon Bond and belonging to the Town, and to Act and do any thing or things which they shall Judge proper & Expedent to be done that so the s^d^ Land may be Speedly paid for. 4^ly^. To hear the Petition of ye Wid^w^ Eliz^h^ Grover praying that she may have Liberty to set a small building on a Corner of ye Towns Land againſt the southweſt Corner of ye Land belonging to the heirs of Joseph Grant Dec^d^. for Reaſons set forth ye Petition 5^ly^. To hear the Report of ye Com^tee^. who were choſen to take Advice Relating to the Land which was sold by Waltham at a place Called Bever brook in s^d^ Waltham And for the Town to Act their pleaſure Relating to s^d^ Land.

6^ly^.

[6] 6^ly^. To hear the Petition of Nathanael Norcroſs Relating to the Pew in the Meeting Houſe which was Settled upon

Jona^{n} Benjamin Deceaſed and for the Town to Act their pleaſure with Relation thereunto.—

(Warrants Were Isued out Accordingly)

At the Meeting afores^{d} the Selectmen being Notified by Stephen Palmer of Cambridge by Writing under his hand that he had taken into his Houſe wch is in Watertown Mr Saml Andrew and his wife who Came from s^{d} Cambridge Ordred the Clerk to Isue out a Warrant directed to y^{e} Conſtables forth with to warn the S^{d} Saml Andrew & Wife to Depart out of Watertown.

Which was Accordingly done and Return made

Cautioned againſt at Cambridge Court May 22. 1746.

At a General $^{\text{Town}}_{\wedge}$ Meeting of the Freehold^{rs}. and Other Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in the Election or Choice of a Repreſentative, Regulerly aſsembled at the Publick Meeting houſe in said Town on the 14th. Day of May A. D. 1746. For to Elect and Depute a Meet Perſon to serve for and Repreſent them in a Great & General Court or Aſsembly Appointed to be Conven'd held & kept for his Majestys Service at the Court houſe in Boston on Wedneſday the 28th Day of May Currant.

After the Votes were Called for and given in (the Majer part of ye Selectmen being preſent) it Appeared by the Sorting and Numbering the Votes that were given in That Mr Jonas Bond was Elected for the Service aboves^{d} by the Majer part of the Voters then preſent.—

At a General Town Meeting of ye Freehold^{rs}. and oth^{r} Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Aſsembled at the publick Meeting houſe in s^{d} Town on the 14th Day of May A. D. 1746. for ye Ends Mentioned in the Warrant &c.—

(This Vote Confirmed by the Court at Cambridge May 22, 1746.)

Voted and Choſe Joseph Maſon Esqr. Moderator of s^{d}. Meeting. The Petition of Sundry of the Inhab^{ts}. of ye Town Relating to Dogs Coming to the Publick Meeting-houſe on Lords Days (and which was Continued to this Meeting for a hearing) was Red before the Town. and after Debate thereon The Vote was put whether it is the mind of the Town That Evry Perſon belonging to the Town that shall Let or Suffer his or her Dog Come to the Publick Meeting-houſe on the Lords Day shall pay a fine of five Shillings to the Town for evry Such offence s^{d}. fine to be Improved towards the Support of ye poor of the Town. And the Vote paſt in ye Affirmative.

Voted and Choſe Nathl. Harris and Joseph Maſon Esq^{rs}. to be a Com^{tee} to Lay this Vote of ye Town before the Honourable

his Majestys Juſtices of the Court of General Seſsions of the peace to be holden at Cambridge within & for the County of Midd^{x}. on the Third Tuſday of this Inſtant May for their Confirmation

Then the Third Article in the Warrant was Red. And the Vote was put whether the Town w^{ld} Diſpoſe of Some of their Land and out of the proceeds thereof to pay and Satisfy for the Land purchaſed by their Com^{tee}: of the Wid^{w}. Hannah Fisk for the use of ye Town An the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Sell Some of ye Towns Land Lying Weſt of ye Meeting houſe and Contigus to Land of Saml. Barnard & Joſiah Perry—And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

Then

[7] Then the Vote was put whether it is the mind of the Town to Chooſe a Com^{tee} to View and Se what Land may be Spared Weſt of ye Meeting houſe So as not to Incomode the Publick and the Vote paſt in the Affirm^{e}.

Voted and Choſe Capt John Taynter Nathl Harris Esqr. & Doct^{r}. Joſiah Convers to be the Committee for the Ends aboves^{d}. Then the Vote was put whether it is the Mind of ye Town to Impower their Committee to Sell So much of said Land as may be Convenantly Spared So as not to Incomode and hurt the Publick and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

The Vote was then put whether it is the mind of ye Town that y^{r} Committe who are Impowred to Dispoſe of ye Land Abovesd (wch may be spared) Shall Dispoſe of the Same to the Higheſt bidder and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Upon a Motion made & Seconded (the day being spent) the vote was put whether it is the Mind of the Town to Adjourn this Meeting and the Remaining buſniſs thereof untill Munday the 21 Day of this Inſtant May at five of ye Clock after noon at this place and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative. And the Meeting was Accordingly Adjourn'd.

At a General Town Meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in town Affairs Aſsembled at the publick Meeting houſe in s^{d} Town on the the 19th of May 1746 by Adjournment.

The Petition of Eliz^{h} Grover was Red to the Town praying for Liberty to set a Small Shop or building upon the Towns Land Near the Corner of m^{r}. John Haſtings Land and Againſt the front of ye Land belonging to the Heirs of Joseph Grant Dec^{d}. And after Conſideration thereof, The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Suſpend the Acting upon the s^{d} Petition for the preſent, and in the mean time care be taken to Se if the Petitioner may not be otherwiſe Accomodated in the Neighbour-

hood there being a favourable proſpect thereof. and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

The Committee who were Choſen to take Adviſe Reſpecting the Land Sold by a Com^{tee}: of Waltham wch Land belonged to Watertown Made their Varble Report Relating to the Adviſe they had Receved, upon hearing and Conſidering of ye Same the Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Chooſe the Selectmen to be a Committee to Diſcourſe with the Selectmen of Waltham upon s^{d} Affair in order to know what ye Town of Waltham in tend to Do Relating to Said Land and make y^{r} Report at ye Next Town Meeting. and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

Then the Petition of Nathl Norcroſs was Red to the Town who prays that the Town w^{ld} pleaſe to Grant him the priviledge & Improvm^{t}. of ye Pew which was Settled on Jona^{n}. Benjamin Deceaſed under Such Reſtrictions as the other pews are Settled on. And after the prayer of y^{e}. Petition was Conſidred The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Grant the prayer of s^{d} Petition the Petitioner paying and Satiſfying the Heirs of ye Deceaſed for the prime Coſt of building s^{d} Pew. And the Vote paſt in the Negative

June 30 1746: At a meeting of ye selectmen at D Coollidges. The p^{r}ſons Approbated ye Laſt Year were this. the Selectmen agre'd that Mr Benjn. Haſtings be deſired to take ye care of ye Great Bridge this year. Agre'd to meet on ye 14th of July at M^{rs}. Learneds 3 clock to take care abo^{t} ye great Bridge & Deſired ye Clark to Notify ye Selectmen of Weſton & Waltham to meet wth them at ye time & place.

[8] At a meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown Weſton & Waltham at ye Wid^{w}. Mary Learneds in Watertown on the 14th. Day of July 1746. In order to View the Great Bridge over Charles River in s^{d} Watertown.

And there being A Neceſseſsity of Rebuilding the North Peer of s^{d} Bridge. Agre'd to Rebuld the Same, but in the following Manner vizt. Instead of having King Posts &c above the Bridge to have a Mudcell Supporters and braces Underneath. Agreed to have a Mudcell Thirty Eight feet in Length and a foot Square of good black oak. A good Cap piece of 22 feet Long and a foot Square of good white Oake. Alſo Two good white Oak braces of Twelve feet long and 8 and 10 Inches. four Posts or Supporters 10 feet Long and a foot Square 2 of them to be New, Alſo that there be procured 2 Cap pieces, posts and braces for ye North and South Sides of S^{d} Peer (the old ones being suppoſed to be Rotton) Of ye Same Dementions of ye old ones Agreed to procure one Long String piece for s^{d} peer one New one being all ready provided. Agreed y^{t} ye Selectmen of Watertown procure S^{d} String piece. The Selectmen of Weſton procure the Mudcell above^{s} the Three Cappieces and the 2 New posts or Supporters above^{s}.

Whatelſe may be wanted it is propoſed to Improve the old Stuff. Agreed that the Timber be procured and Laid at ye s^d^ Bridge by the firſt of Sepr. Next.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weſton & Waltham On the 16th Day of Sepr. 1746. at the Wid^w^. Learneds in Watertown. In Order to take Effectual Care for the Repairing off or New Erecting the Northerly peer of ye Great Bridge over Charles River in Watertown Agre'd that Mr Ebenezer Stone Mr Nathl. Walker and Mr Jona^n^ Stratton Should be the workmen to Do the Carpentree work and to proceed abo^t^ the work forth with, and in order to further the work, Agree'd that the Selectmen of ye Three Towns or So many of them as can Conveniantly Come, To meet on Munday Next at the s^d^ Bridge with the workmen Above^s^d^. to take up the Bridge in order to Examine the Timbers to Se what may do again, and to Se what is further Wanting. And the Selectmen of Each Town Endeavour to procure some good hands to Aſsist abo^t^ Laying of ye Mudcells and other Waterwork and that ye Selectmen of Watertown procure Stones to Lay on the Ends of the Mudcells.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown at M^rs^. Learneds in Order to take care of ye old Plank and to Diſpoſe of ye Old Timber belonging to ye Bridge. The old plank was all Carryed into M^rs^. Learneds Yard and stict up with w^t^ was there before. The old Timber that was fit for nothing but the fire was Sold to James Dix (he being ye higeſt bidder) for Thirty Shillings old Tener. The Remainder was Sold to Benjamin Haſtings for Thirty Shillings old Ten^r^.

The Selectmen Ordred the Clerk to Isue out a Warrant to the Conſtables To warn One Sarah Corniſh Alias Sarah Bemis to Depart out of Watertown who Came from Waltham ab^t^. the 17th of Feby. Laſt paſt the Selectmen Refuſing to Accept of her to be an Inhab^t^. in Watertown.

[9] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown at the Wid^w^. Learneds Novr. 20, 1746. For Taking in of y^e^ Acc^ts^. of y^e^ Work done by Watertown at the Repairing of y^e^ Great Bridge and Timber bo^t^. the Acc^ts^ are as follow's. Viz^t^.

Joſeph Maſon for 5 Days & ½ work at 10/P and Caſh for Drawing of Timbr 1/4	— £	.2=16—.4
Jonas Bond 5 days and half — — — — — — — —		.2=15—..
Oliver Livermore Two days & ½ — — — — — =		.1—.7—.6
Jona^n^ Bemis 2 Load of Stones 7/P — — — — — —		..—14—..
Nathl Norcroſs the beſt part of a Day — — — —		..—10—..
Jon^n^. Learned 2 Days & ¾ — — — — — — — —		.1—12—..
Ebenezer Thornton for 69 feet of Timber at 3/P		10=.7—..
Wid^w^. Mary Learned for Expences at y^e^ Repairing of said bridge vizt for drink 93/4: for 38 Dinners at 2/6 P 95/		.9—.8—.4

Ebenezer Stone 6 days ½ at 12/P ½ Day at 5 — —		.4=.3—..
Benjn. Haſtings for his care in mending y^{e} Bridge this year to this Date	£2=.5—.6	
and for 5 Days ½ at 12/P & half Day 5/	3=11=..	
		.5=16=.6
Wm Coollidge one day ½ 20/ carting gravil 18/		.1—18—..
Jame Dix Slitwork and Speeks		.1—.5—.6
Danl Whitney for 12 Load of Stones 7/P	.4—.4—..	
& himself a hand & Teem one day & ½ 30/P	2—.5—..	
		.6—.9—..
David Learned for a piece of Timb^{r} & uſe of his Conoo		..—10—..
Jonas Coollidge ½ day work & Drawing Timb^{r}		.1—.6—..
Eleven Hundred & 11 feet Plank 27=15—6: Timb^{r} .6=19=.2		34=14—.8
		£85=12=10

At a Meeting of y^{e} Selectmen of Watertown Weſton and Waltham On November the 24th. 1746. At Richd Cuttings in s^{d} Waltham

The Acc^{ts}. of the Charge of y^{e} Great Bridge over Charles River in Watertown Since the Laſt Adjuſtment were this Day Proportioned And Adjuſted Between the Three Towns. (Se the Acc^{ts}. at Large Signed by ye Selectmen Each Town As Entred in Lib 2. Page 54 In the Treaſurey)

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown on ye 1st Day of Decr. 1746 At Mr Oliver Livermore's The Selectmen Ordred ye Clerk to Isue out a Warant to Warn one Abigail Ovring to Depart out of Watertown, who came from Cambridge to s^{d} Watertown abo^{t}. the 25th. of Octo^{r}. Laſt. and who now Reſides at the Houſe of David Sanger in s^{d} Town.

At this Meeting y^{e} Selectmen Signed An Order to y^{e} Treaſurer to pay Out of The Town Treaſurey, of y^{e} Laſt Grant made for y^{e} Great Bridge as follows's.

To Jonas Bond 55/ To Oliver Livermore 27/6 —4=.2—.6
To Jona^{n}. Bemis 14/ To Nathl Norcroſs 10/ To Jona^{n}. Learned 32/—2=16—..
To Ebenez^{r} Stone 83/ To Benjn Haſtings 86/6. To W^{m}. Coollidge 38/—10=.7—.6
To Ebenz^{r} Thornton £10=.7/ To y^{e} Wid^{w} Learned £9=8/4 19—15—.4
To Danl. Whitney £6=9/ To David Learned 10/ .6=19—..

To Jonas Coollidge 26/ To Joseph Maſon 56/4 old Tenner .4=.2 =.4

£48=.2=.8

And to the Revd Mr Seth Storer out of y^{e} Laſt Aſseſment Old Ten^{r}. —— 100=00=00

[10] At a Meeting of y^{e} Selectmen On the 16th: of February 1746.

The Selectmen Ordred the Clerk to Iſue out Warrants to the Conſtables of Watertown to Warn the Inhab^{ts}. of Said Town who are Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs To Meet at the Public Meeting house in Said Town on Munday the Second Day of March Next at Nine of the Clock in the forenoon for the Ends following vizt To Chooſe a Moderator for s^{d} Meeting To Chooſe Selectmen to manage the Prudencals of ye Town. To Chooſe a Town Clark a Town Treaſurer A Conſtable or Conſtables Aſseſsors and all other Such Town Officers as are to be Choſen in the month of March Annually. To Chooſ a Saxton. and Agree how he Shall be Satisfyed.

To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer.

To hear the Town Treaſurers Acc^{ts}.

For the Town to Maniſeſt their Minds how ye Intereſt Money coming to ye Town this preſent Year (the year beginning the Eleventh Day of December Laſt paſt) Shall be Appropriated.

To Grant Money to pay the Revd Mr Seth Storer his Salary According to Contract for the Enſuing year

To know the Mind of ye Town what Addition they will make to Mr Storers Salary for ye Enſuing Year the Year beginning ye firſt of March Next. And to Grant what may be Agree'd upon or otherwiſe Agree upon what way and Method it Shall be Satisfied.

To Grant Money for the Support of the School, or other wiſe Agree how it Shall be Supported the Year Inſuing. beginning ye firſt of March Next.

To Grant Money for the Support of ye poor ye Year Enſuing.

To hear the Acc^{ts}. of thoſe Perſons to whom the Town are Indebted, and to Grant Money to pay and Satisfy them.

To Grant Money for the Repairing of ye Meeting houſ glaſs, and to procure a Cover for the Pulpit Cuſhing and other repairs.

To hear the pleaſs of Some of ye Late Conſtables for ye Abating of Some perſons Rates in their Liſts. & for ye Town to Act y^{r} pleaſure thereon.

To know the Mind of the Town whether they are willing to Exchaing with Thos. Wellington the Two Acres of Land belonging to the Miniſteral place Adjoining to s^{d} Thomas Wellingtons Land for An Equivolent in Land Adjoining to the Miniſteral Home Lot (reſerving the wood on s^{d} Two Acres for

the Uſe of the Miniſter) And in Caſe the Town s^ld^ Come into this Motion then to Choſe a Committee to Accompliſh the same According to Such Directions as the Town Shall See meet to give to s^d^ Com^tee^ Or in Caſe ye Town S^ld^ not se meet to Exchainge as Afores^d^ or s^d^ Wellington s^ld^ not come into the Meaſures of ye Town if they s^ld^ be willing to Exchange. Then to know y^r^ Mind, how s^d^ Two Acres shall be fenced and to Do what the Town shall judge proper to Accompliſh ye proportion of fence belonging to the Town.

To know the Mind of ye Town whether the High ways and Town way shall be mended by Rate ye Year Inſuing, and if the Town Comes into this Method Then to Grant Money for s^d^ Affair, And to Chooſe the Surveyors of ye High Ways to be Collectors, to Collect the Same or to Se that it be worked out within the Year Agreeable to Such Directions as the Town may Se meet to give them.

To know the mind of ye Town how the Remander of ye Bond given to ye Wid^w^ Hannah Fiske by ye Towns Committe in y^r^ Name with the Intereſt Shall be paid and Satisfied.

For the Town to hear the Liſt of juriors, And to do thereon Agreable to ye Directions in ye Law in that behalf made & provided.

For

[11] For the Town to take Some proper Meaſures to prevent the Drawing of Timber over the great Bridge in ye Town without Carriages which practice is found to be very prejudical to ye Bridge, as alſo the drawing of Timbers into the River above and below the Bridge on the Southerly Side of s^d^ River which tends to gull and tare down s^d^ Bank and So prove prejudical to the Town.

Where as there was formerly a Grant made by ye General Court of 1500 Acres of Medow to Watertown wch has Not Yet been Satisfied. And where as Watertown together with Weſton & Waltham have been at a very great and burdenſome Charge in Building Repairing and Rebuilding once and Again the great Bridge over Charles River in Watertown (where by great benefit Accrews to the publick) and that the three Small Towns aboves^d^ being Still (and like to be) Subject to a Conſtant Yearly Charge of Repairing of s^d^ Bridge, which by Long Experance y^a^ find s^d^ Repairs to be a growing burdinſome Charge upon them. To know the mind of the Town whether (upon the fore going Conſiderations) they will Impower their Repreſentative to joine in Conjunction wth the Repreſentatives of ye Towns of Weſton & Waltham aboves^d^ (or Such Perſons as they may Appoint) to Petition the great and General Court for a Grant of so much of the Unappropriated Land belonging to ye Province to be made to the S^d^ three Towns as the S^d^ Court in their Wiſdom Shall judge Meet and Sufficiant to be in Liew of s^d^ Grant of Medow

Land, and alſo the better to Enable the sd Three Towns cheirfully to bear the growing Charge of sd Bridge, or other wife in their Wiſdom to relieve them Relating to ye premiſses.

To know the mind of ye Town whether they are willing with Weſton & Waltham to Diſpoſe of yr Farm Lying Near ye great Wachuſetts belonging to sd Towns for An Agreeable Valuable Conſideration And for the Town to Do and Act with Relation thereunto as they shall see meet.

To hear the Report of yr Comtee: Appointed to Agree with Perſons wt they sld give for Land Lying to ye Ways &c. what they have further done Relating to sd Affair, & for ye Town to Act yr pleaſure thereon

For the Town to be Acquainted that their are Several Perſons who had Land Confirmed to them upon Condition of yr paying into the Town Treaſurey what was Agreed on by yr Commtee. (the proceeds of wch Land was given by the Town to the Revd Mr Storer) who have heitherto Neglected to pay their reſpective Dues, And for ye Town to Act yr pleaſure with Rlation there unto.—

To know the Mind of ye Town whether they will do their proportion of ye fence between the Land of mr John Sawin and the Buring place, and to do what they shall judge proper Relating yr unto.

To know the Mind of ye Town whether they will Either Lett or Sell that Small piece of Land belonging to the Town Lying between the Country Road and the Mill Crick Above the Corn Mill, as alſo to take Some proper Meaſures for the Removing the Incumbrances from off sd piece of Land, And alſo whether the Town will Let out the Small Island below the Mills and the Bank Againſt the River Near Mr David Sangers.

To know the Mind of ye Town whether Swine Shall Run at Large under the Regulations in the Law in that caſe made and provided.

To

[12] To know the mind of the Town whether they will Revive the by Law relating to horſes for a Nother Year.

Likewiſe Order the Conſtables to Notify Such Perſons that the Town are Indebted to to bring in their Accts. to ye Selectmen At the Houſe of ye Widw. Mary Learneds on Wedneſday the 25th of this Inſtant Feby: at three of ye Clock After noon in Order to have them Laid before ye Town

On Febr: 17th: 1746. Warrants were Iſhued out and Dilivd to the Conſtables of Sd Watertown P Joseph Maſon Town Cler

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Widw. Mary Learneds on the 25 Day of February 1746/7. In order to receive the Acct from thoſe Perſons that the Town is Indebted to, wch are as follow's. vizt.

To Ebenezer Stone & Sam[l] Stratton the Com[tee] for Repairing of the Miniſteral Houſe The Ballance of their Acc[t] old Tener		£11=.2 =.6
To Ebenez[r] Stone for worke done at y[e] Meeting houſe 18/ and Nails 5/		.1—.3 —..
To Benj[n]. Haſtings for work at y[e] Meeting Houſe	1—..—..	
& for work done at y[e] great Bridge	.—.8—..	.1—.8—..
To the Aſseſsors for their Service in that office y[e] Year 1746 viz Nath[l] Harris & Joseph Maſon & Tho[s] Saltmarſh £5 Each		15= .. —..
To Joſeph Maſon for a Deed & a Bond ab[t] the Land bo[t] of m[rs] Fisk 6/ for Nails to make a place for y[e] Powder &c 3/ for drafting a Report 1/		..—10=..
To Oliver Livermore for 60 feet of Bord to make a place for to put y[e] Town's Stock of Ammuniſion in		..—17—..
To David Livermore for Speaks for y[e] Great Bridge in April & Octob[r] Laſt (theſe were not bro[t] in to Acc[t] Laſt adjuſted,		..—15=..
To Jonas Coolidge for Serving Conſtable one Year & warning 2 Meetings		.1—.6 =..
To Amos Bond Conſtable for the Like Service		.1—.6 .
To W[m]. Coollidge Surveyer for Plank and Timber to mend the Bridge (comonly called Tredaways Bridge)		.2=16=..
		£36" .3 .6

[13] At a General Town Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhab[ts]. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs Duly Warned and Regulerly Aſsembled and Meet together on the Second Day of March A. D. 1746/7. for Choice of Town Officers &c.

Voted and Choſe M[r] Jonas Bond Moderator of s[d] Meeting

Voted and Choſe for Selectmen
- M[r] Jonas Bond
- Joſeph Maſon Esq[r]
- Nath[l]. Harris Esq[r].
- M[r] John Hunt
- M[r] Ebenezer Thatcher

Voted and Choſe Joſeph Maſon Esq[r] Town Clerk

Voted and Choſe Joſeph Maſon Esq[r] Town Treaſurer.

Voted to Chooſe Two Conſtables for y[e] preſent Year.

Voted and Choſe for Conſtables
- Joſeph Pataſon
- Nathaniel Bright

Voted and Choſe for Aſseſsors
- M[r] Thomas Saltmarſh
- Nath[l] Harris Esq[r]
- Joſeph Maſon Esq[r].

Voted and Choſe Jacob Caldwell for Sealer of Leather

Voted and Choſe for fence Viewers { Samuel Stratton / Edwd Harrington

Voted and Chofe for Surveyers of High Ways { James Baley / William Coollidge

Voted and Choſe for Tythingmen { Saml Fiske / Nathaniel Stone

Voted and Choſe for Hogrieves { Moſes Stone / Uriah Clark

Voted and Choſe for Surveyers and Meaſ^rs of Timb^r. &c { Ebenezer Thornton / Jonas Coollidge

Voted and Choſe for Hawards { Jonathan Stone jun^r / Joſiah Stowel

Voted and Choſe Smith Prentice Gager of Cask

Voted and Choſe for Saxton Joseph Haſtings, who Refuſed to Serve

Voted and Choſe Henry Spring Tercous Sexton

Voted to pay the Saxton by Two Contrabutions for his Service as has been Uſull

Then

[14] Then the Town Treaſurer Laid his Acc^t. before the Town which was red. wch was as follow's vizt.

What the Treaſury was Charged for Amounted to ye Sum of £807″.7″3

What ye Treaſury had Credit for Amounted to £699″13″11

there is Remaining in the Conſtables hands .32″14″.7

And in the Treaſurey 74″18″.9

£807″.7″.3

Then the Vote was put whether the Town Alow and Accept of the Treaſurers Acc^t And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

Voted and Granted One hundred pounds for the Revd Mr Storers Salary According to Contract old Ten^r £100=00=00

Voted as an Addition to Mr Storers Salery the sum of Two hundred pounds old Tener for the preſent Year. One hundred & Eight pounds to be Aſseſt — — — — — — 108—00=00

The other Ninty two pounds to be paid out of the Intreſt money Coming to the Town this preſent Year.

Voted One hundred and Ten pounds ofd Tener for the Support of the Gramer & Engliſh School for this Preſent Year to be paid out of y^e Intereſt money Coming to the Town this preſent Year.

Voted and Granted the Sum of forty pounds old Tener for the Support of the poor this preſent Year — — — — £40=00=00

Then a Liſt of the Acc^ts. of Sundry Perſons to whom the Town is indebted was Red to the Town Amounting to y^e Sum of £36=.3=.6 old Tener & Alowed

Voted and Granted the Sum of £36=.3=.6 to pay and Satisfy S^{d} Acc^{ts}. — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — 36=.3=.6

Voted that the Sum of Sixteen pounds old Tener be paid out of y^{e} Treaſurey to procure a Cover for the Cuſhing belonging to the Pulpit.

Voted and Granted the Sum of Sixteen pounds old Tener for to pay for Mending the Meeting houſe glaſs and for the further Repairing s^{d} Houſe and glaſs — — — — — — £6=..—..

Then Some of the Late Conſtables Made their pleaſs for the Town's Abating Some perticuler perſons Rates in their Reſpective Liſts. And the Town by a Vote Abated in Conſtable Thos Homans Liſts vizt Thos Newmas Rates 31/8 James Hackletons 40/4 Danl Stearns 16/ One head in Saml Benjamins 31/8 in All £5=19=.8 old Tener

Voted and Granted to Capt Thos Homans y^{e} Sum of 5=19=.8 to Supply y^{e} Abatm^{ts}. — — — — — — — — — .5=19—.8

The Town by a Vote Abated in Ed^{w}. Harringtons Liſts of Rates James Hackletons Rates £4=18=.4 Ezriah Walkers 15/8 and Nathan Emes in all £7=.1—.. old Tener

Voted and Granted to Ed^{w}. Harrington the Sum of £7=.1—— to Suply y^{e} abatm^{ts} .7—.1—..

The Town by a Vote abated in Saml Hagers Liſts Tim^{y} Hoars Rates 13/8 Saml Cambels 13/8 and Gerſham Keys 29/ in all £2=16=4 old Tener

Voted and Granted to Saml Hager to Suply the abatm^{t} y^{e} Sum of 2=16=4 .2=16=.4

The Town by a Vote Abated Saml Smiths Rate in Christoper Grants Liſt of Rates wch was 15/ old Tener.

Voted and Granted 15/ to Supply the abatm^{t} in s^{d} Grants Liſt ..—15—..

The Town by a Vote abated in Saml Prentices Liſts of Rates Robt. Crowls 14/8 And Nathl Norcroſs jun^{r} 14/8 both is 29/4 old Tener

Voted and Granted 29/4 to Supply the Abatments in s^{d} Prentices Liſts .1—.9—.4

Voted and Granted the Sum of £20 to the Town Treaſurer for his Service for the Town the Year 1746. — — — 20=00—00

Then Voted and Adjorned this Meeting and the Remaining buiſneſs of it to Munday the Ninth Day of this Inſtant March at two of the clock After Noon.

[15] At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown at the Wid^{w}: Mary Learneds on the 6th Day of March A. D. 1746/7.

The Several Perſons Under named who were Choſen by the Town at their Annual Meeting the 2^{d} Inſtant were Sworn to the faithfull Diſcharge of their Reſpective Offices vizt.

Joseph Maſon Esqr to the office of { Town Clerk, Town Treaſurer, Aſseſsor } P Nathl. Harris Justice peace

Joseph Pataſon, Nathl. Bright } to the Office of Conſtable
Thomas Saltmarſh, Nathl Harris Esqr } to ye Office of Aſseſsor
Saml Stratton, Ed^{w}. Harrington } to ye Office of Fence Viewer
Nathl. Stone to ye Office of Tythingman
Moſes Stone, Uriah Clark } to ye Office of Hogrieve
Ebenezer Thornton, Jonas Coollidge } to ye office of Surveyers and Meaſ^{rs}.. of Timb^{r} &c
Jona^{n} Stone jun^{r}, Joſiah Stowel } to the Office of Haward

} P Joseph Maſon Ju^{s}. p^{s}.

The Selectmen Agre'd wth. Mr Nathl Harrington to keep the Gramer & Engliſh School, And to have as a reward After the Rate of one hundred and ten pounds P Year for the time he keeps s^{d} School And if he should Se cauſe to Leave the School befor the End of one Year to give the Selectmen timely Notice.

The Selectmen with the Conſtables of sd Town Appointed Mr Samul Fiske of s^{d} Town to be the Sealer of Weights and Meaſures for the sd Town of Watertown untill a nother Shall be Appointed in his Room.

March 12th: 1746 Mr Saml. Fiske was Sworn to ye Office of Sealer of Weights & Meaſures for Watertown before the Court of Genl Seſsions of the peace held at Charlſtown.

[16] At a General Town Meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown on the 9th. Day of March 1746/7 by Adjornment

Voted and Abated in Conſtable Joſeph Garfields Liſts of Rates Six ſhillings and one peney in John Becks & Eben^{r} Perrys Lates

Voted and Granted to Joseph Maſon Esqr the Sum of Sixteen ſhillings old Tener for Entring Caution againſt Joseph Harris & Suſana Murch Miners and for ye Conſtables Service.

Voted and Abated Daniel Stearns Lates 6/ and henry Springs ye 3^{d} 32/ old Tener In Conſtable Amos Bonds Liſts of Rates.

Voted and Granted 38/ old Tener to Supplie what was Sunk in Amos Bonds Liſts.

Voted and Granted to Amos Bond 30/ old Tener for His trouble in Conveying A woman & her Children & Goods from Watertown to ye Conſtable in Cambridge

Then the Vote was put whether the Town is Willing to Exchang Land wth Mr Thomas Wellington. And the Vote paſt in ye Negative

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Chooſe

a Com^{tee}. to Divide the fence between the Land belonging to ye Town adjoining to m^{r} Thomas Wellingtons Land that the Town may know y^{r} part. And Se what Sort of fence will be moſt beneficial to be Errected by the the Town on their part, And Make Report at the Next Town Meeting And the Vote paſt in the Affarmative

Voted and Choſe Enſ^{n}. Danl Whitney Joseph Maſon Esqr & M^{r} Joſeph Harrington to be the Committy for ye Ends above said.

Voted that the Ways be Mended this Year with the Arreariges wch is in the hands or Rates of the preſent and Late Surveyers of High Ways.

Voted that Nine pounds one ſhilling and 2^{d} be paid out of ye Treaſurey by the Treaſurer to ye Wid^{w} Hannah Fiske to Satiſfy the Remainder of the Bond given to her by ye Towns Com^{tee}. and ye Intreſt thereon

A Liſt of Juriors was Laid be fore the Town & Red. and After the Town Voted five perſons to be taken out, vizt Joſiah Pery James Baley Walter Beath John Coollidge jun^{r} & David Coollidge which were in before, the Addition made to the Liſt was Accepted by ye ye Town. The whole Liſt Amounting to Eighty three parſons. Twenty being ye forth part. Three was Added three to the Superiour Box (Seventeen being in before). The Three parſons wch were by Vote Added were Mr John Hunt M^{r} Joſeph Harrington m^{r} Joſeph Child.

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Chooſe a Comm^{tee} to take perticuler Obſervation what Perſons they are who Draw Timb^{rs} Over the Great Bridge with out Carrages as alſo Such as draw Timber into the River above and below the S^{d} Bridge on ye South Side of the River to the prejudice of ye Town, And to deſire such perſons that they w^{ld}. Not Continue in Such a practice. And if they will not Deſist therefrom y^{n} S^{d} Comm^{tee} to make Reporte to the Town, That the Town may take other Meaſures to prevent Such a practice. And ye Vote paſt in ye Affirmative

Voted and Choſe Nathl Harris Esqr. Meſs^{rs}.. John Hunt & Jonas Coollidge to be a Commitee for ye Ends aboves^{d}.

Upon Conſideration of ye 1500 Acres of Medow Land formerly Granted by the General Court to Watertown not Yet Satisfyed together in Conſideration of ye Great and growing Charge of ye great Bridge over Charles River in Watertown the burden whereof Lyes upon ye three Smal Towns of Watertown Weſton and Waltham, the Vote was put Whether it is the Mind of

The

[17] The Town to Impower their Repreſentative to joine in Conjunction with the Repreſentatives of ye Towns of Weſton and

Waltham aboves^{d} (or Such Perſons as they May Appoint) To Petition the Great & General Court for a Grant of So much of the Unapropriated Lands belonging to the Province To be made to the S^{d} Three Towns as the s^{d} Court in their Wiſdom shall judge Meet and Sufficiant to be in Liew of s^{d} Grant of Medow And alſo the Better to Enable the s^{d} Three Towns, Charfully to bear the Growing Charge of s^{d} Bridge (which the publick are So greatly benefited by) or other wiſe in their Great Wiſdom & good neſs to relieve the s^{d} three Small Towns Relating to the Premiſses. & ye Vote paſt in ye Affirm^{e}:

Put to Vote whether it is the Mind of ye Town to Choofe Two Perſons to be a Com^{tee}. to joine with Such Perſons as are or may be Choſen by ye Towns of Weſton and Waltham to git the beſt Information they can what the preſent Value of the Farme Near Wachuſett belonging to ye s^{d} Towns is Esteemed to be, And to hear the Offers which any Gentleman or Gentlemen may make for s^{d} farm in caſe s^{d} Towns will diſpoſe thereof. And to Make Report of their doings at ye Next Town Meeting, that the Town May be able to Act more Underſtandingly in what May be moſt for their & ye other Towns Intreſt in said Affair And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Voted and Choſe Nathl. Harris Esqr and Capt. John Taynter to be a Commitee for ye Ends Aboves^{d}.

Then the Com^{tees} Report was Red. and the Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Accept of the Com^{tees}. Report and that the Land Mentioned therein be Granted and Confirmed to ye s^{d} Joſhua Stratton his heirs and Aſsigns he paying therefor into the Town Treaſurey for the Uſe of ye Town the Sum of four pounds Ten ſhillings old Tener as Mentioned in s^{d} Report. and ye Vote paſt in ye Affirmative

Then the Town was Informed that Mr John Kimbul was one of the Dilinquant Perſons who was Indebted to ye Town for Land had of ye Town the proceeds whereof was given to Mr Storer. That Mr And^{w}. White & Joseph Stearns were the other Perſons, that Mr Kimbul Debt was 45/ said Whites 60/ & s^{d} Stearns 80/ Upon hearing hereof Voted y^{t} ye Selectmen call upon ye s^{d} Dilenquant perſons to pay y^{r} Reſpective dues that So ye Revd Mr Sorer may Reap thereby ye benefit of ye Towns Gift formerly made to him—

Voted that if ye s^{d} Joſeph Starnes Inſiſt on having a deed of ye Land he had of the Town that the Selectmen give him a deed in ye behalf of ye Town

Voted to Make One half of the fence againſt the burying place between the Land of m^{r} John Sawin and Said Buring place

Voted to make a good Stone Wall fence between s^{d} Sawins Land and s^{d} Buring place

Voted to Choſe a Committee to procure the Doing of s^{d} fence

Voted and Choſe Meſsu^{rs}. And^{w} White Danl Whitney & Oliver Livermore to be s^{d} Committee.
Voted and Granted the Sum of Twenty five pounds old Tener to be Improved by s^{d} Committee for ye making of s^{d} wall fence, the Committee to render an Acc^{t} of y^{r} Doings. Then

[18] Then the Vote was put whether the Town will Sell that Small piece of Land between the Country Road and the Mill Crick above ye Corn mill And the Vote paſt in the Negative

The Vote was put whether the Town are of ye Mind to let s^{d} Small piece of Land, and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

Put to Vote whether the Town are of ye Mind that all Incumbrances should be Removed from off of s^{d} piece of Land. And ye Vote paſt in ye Affirm^{e}.

Voted to Let the Small Island below the Mills.
Then the Vote was put whether the Town will Chooſe a Comm^{tee} to Let ye small piece of Land above the Mill and the Island below the Mill afores^{d} And to Remove all the Incumbrances from off of s^{d} piece of Land above the Mill between ye High Way & Mill Crick And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative
Voted and Choſe Nathl. Harris Esqr. Meſsu^{rs}. Thos Saltmarſh & David Sanger to be a Com^{tee}. to Let the Land aboves^{d} and to Remove the Incumbrances from off ye Land Aboves^{d}.—
Voted that Swine Shall Run at Large this preſent Year under the Regulations in ye Law in that behalf made & provided

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town that the Town buy Law relating to horſes be revived for the preſt Year And the Vote paſt in the Negative—

The Comm^{tee} Reporte is as follows. vizt.

We the Subſcrib^{rs}. ye Com^{tee}: Appointed by ye Town of Watertown to Agree with Perſons what they s^{ld}. give for Land Lying to ye Ways againſt ye front of y^{r} Lands &c. Met on ye 16th. Day of Feby. And Agreed wth Joſhua Stratton that he Move out the fence Againſt that piece of Land Mowing Land belonging to him and his mother (part of which is now in poſseſion of his Mother as part of her Thirds) Lying Eaſt of Saml Jeniſons Land Southerly of ye Highway and Weſt of John Brights Land Viz^{t} to Remove out So far Northerly againſt the Country Road as the S^{d} Jeniſons Land Extends wch he had of ye Town and to run from S^{d} Jeniſons Notheaſt Corner Eaſtward to A Stone Lying in a parrellel Line with the Dividing Line between ye s^{d} Brights Land & ye Medow aboves^{d} the North Line to be a Straight Line from Jeniſons Corner afores^{d} to the afores^{d} stone, Said Stone Ly's at the Northeaſt Corner of ye Land to be taken in and the Country Road is full four Rods wide againſt said Stone or Corner and to be Left So in its full wydth. which bounds incloſes and takes in abo^{t} Twenty four Rods of Ground, (referving to the Wid^{w}. the liberty of Convening Coming at her Thirds) He the s^{d} Joſhua

Stratton To pay into the Town Treaſurey for the same for the Uſe of ye Town the full Sum of four pounds Ten shillings old Tener when the Town Confirms ye said Twenty four Rods of Land to him his heirs &c.

Watertown Feb^y^: 16. 1746/7 — Joseph Maſon, Nathl. Harris, Ebenezer Stone, Jonas Bond, Jona^n^. Brown — Comm^tee^.

March 9th The above s^d^ Joſhua gave a Bond to ye Town Treaſurer for the Land above mentioned in ye Com^tees^ Report. —

[19] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at Mr Jonas Bonds on the 23^d^ Day of March 1746/7 The Selectmen Agre'd with Mr John Coollidge To board the Wid^w^. Webb (who is at his houſe) and look after for the Space of one Year from the 25th. of this Inſtant March, And to have as a Recompence from the Town therefor After the Rate of Twelve Shillings P week old Tener. And if Any Extrordinary Charge should happen by Reaſon of Sickneſs Lameneſs or other wiſe to have Reaſonable Satisfaction therefor over and Above ye 12/ P week.

Whereas Samuel Warrin gave a Note of hand of Eight pounds Ninteen shillings & Nine pence of wch he paid Ten ſhillings & 10^d^ afterward. The Remainder Lying dead, And ye s^d^ Warrin having Offred to give bond for ye same for the Uſe of the Town. The Selectmen Adviſed the Treaſurer to take his Bond for ye Uſe of ye Town and to give up ye s^d^ Note.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Wid^w^. Mary Learneds on the 3^d^ Day of April 1747. This Year being the Year by Law for Preambulation and Renewing of ye Marks on the Lines between the Adjacent Towns. The Selectmen Accordingly Appointed Meſs^rs^. Jonathan Bemis & Ebenezer Thatcher To preambulate with the Adjacent Towns and with Such as they Shall Appoint to Renew the Marks on the Lines Between S^d^ Watertown and the Adjacent Towns. And they are Appointed & Directed to meet wth Such perſons as the Selectmen of Cambridge Shall appoint. On the Line between Watertown & Cambridge Near Edward Marrits on Wedneſday the Twenty Second day of April Currant at Nine of the Clock in the fornoon. And with Such Perſons as the Selectmen of Waltham Shall appoint at one of ye Clock afternoon of s^d^ Day At the Line between Watertown & S^d^ Waltham Near Thomas Near Thomas Wellingtons.
And with Such Perſons as the Selectmen of Newton Shall Appoint at four of the Clock Afternoon on s^d^ Day on the Line between Watertown and Said Newton Near Daniel Cooks. and Make return of y^r^ Doings on s^d^ Affair to the Town Clerk.

Ordred the Clerk to send Notifications to ye selectmen of the Adjacent Towns to Acquaint them of the Day Appointed for

preambulation and the perſons who are Appointed by ye selectmen of Watertown that the Selectmen of ye Adjacent Towns may Conform thereunto. —which was done Accordingly P ye Clerk—

Watertown April 22. 1747.

We the Subſcribers Met with Such men as ye Selectmen of Cambridge Appointed, Such men as ye Selectmen of Waltham Appointed & Such Men as ye Selectmen of Newton Appointed & Preambulated & Renew'd ye Bounds between s^d^ Towns.

Jonathan Bemis
Ebenezer Thatcher

[20] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at Joseph Mason's on the 7th of May 1747 The Selectmen having rec^d^ a Precipt from ye High Sherrif of of ye County of Midd^x^ Requiring forthwith to Aſsamble ye Inhab^ts^. of ye Town for the Choice of a Repreſentative to Repreſent them at a General Court Appointed to be Convened and held at the Court Houſe in Boston on ye 27th. of This Inſtant May. In Obedience thereto, Ordred the Clerk to Iſue out Warrants Directed to the Conſtables of Watertown To warn the free holders and Other Inhab^ts^. of s^d^ Town who are Qualified to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative to Meet at the Publick Meeting houſe in Said Town, On Munday the Eighteenth Day of May Currant At three of ye Clock afternoon then and there to Elect and Depute a Meet Perſon to Repreſent them at A General Court or Aſsembly Appointed to be Convened held and keept for His Majestry's Service at the Court houſe in Boston on Wedneſday the 27th of May Currant.—

And Alſo to Order the S^d^ Conſtables to Warn the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs to Meet at S^d^ Publick Meeting houſe on S^d^ Eighteenth Day of May at four of the Clock Afternoon for ye Ends following vizt.

1. To Chooſe a Moderator.

2. To hear the Report of Several Com^tees^: who were Appointed to make Report at s^d^ Meeting on thoſe Affairs of ye Town they were choſen to Act in, And for the Town to Act further Relating to S^d^ Affairs if they See Meet.

3. To hear the Acc^ts^. of Meſsu^rs^. Joseph Coollidge & Jonas Bond Truſtees for Watertown, for the receiving and Leting out the Loan Bills of Credit belonging to said Town, And the Receiving the Intereſt therefor &c. of their proceedings in that Affair, And for the Town to Act their Pleaſure with Relation thereunto.

4. To know the mind of ye Town whether they will Revive the the Town buy Law Relating to the fettering horſes.

5. To know the mind of the Town whether they will

Revive the Town buy Law Relating to Dogs going to the Publick Meeting houſe on Sabbath days, with Some Addition.

6. To hear the Petition of James Dix Relating to the Shoop that He Errected on the Town Land Near the Mill Crick in s[aid] Town And for the Town to Act their pleaſure with Relation thereunto.

Warrants were Isued out Accordingly P^r^ me Jos: Maſon Cler- The Selectmen at this Meeting Appointed to meet on ye 25th of of this Inſtant May at three Clock Afternoon at Nathl. Harris Esqr. And Deſired the Clerk to Send Notifications to Sundry Perſons in the Name of ye Selectmen to meet them at ye time and place aforesd. vizt To John Coollidge, David Coollidge, Jabez Stratton & Isaac Holdin To pay or Renew their Bonds, wherein they are Indebted to ye Town. And to John Kimbul & Jos[eph] Stearns to come and pay what is due from them to ye Town for Land they had of ye Town.

[21] At a General Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhab^ts^. of Watertown Qualified to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative, Regulerly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting houſe in s^d^ Town on the Eighteenth Day of May 1747. for ye Choice of a Repreſentative.

After the Votes were bro^t^ in Sorted and told, it Appeared that Mr Jonas Bond was Choſen to Repreſent the Town at a Great & General Court or Aſsembly Appointed to be Convened held & kept at ye Court houſe in Boston on Wedneſday ye 27th. of May Currant P ye Maj^r^ part of ye Voters preſent, the Maj^r^ part of ye Selectmen being present.

At a General Town Meeting of ye freehold^rs^. and other Inhab^ts^. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Aſsembled on the Eighteenth Day of May 1747 for the Ends Set forth in the Warning.

Voted and Choſe Joseph Maſon Esqr. Moderator.

The Committee who were Choſen to Divide the fence between the Towns Lands & Mr Thomas Wellingtons & others. Made their Report. And the Vote was put whether the Town Accept of Said Report, and that s^d^ Report be Recorded And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Voted to Chooſe a Com^tee^: to Se the fence belonging to the Town Errected both Wall and Wooden fence S^d^ Comm^tee^. to Cut down Some Trees on the Towns Land for the Making of ye Woodin fence and to Compleat the whole.

Voted and Chooſe Joseph Maſon Esqr Meſs^rs^. Danl Whitney Joſeph Harrington Jonathan Bemis & And^w^. White to be the Com^tee^: to Errect & Compleat the fence which belongs to ye Town to Do.

The Com^tee^. Relating to the Farm at Wachuſetts Made Report

that Weſton had not Acted in S^{d} Affair, So that y^{a} had not proceeded to do any thing.

Voted and Continued Said Comm^{tee}: And they to Act on the Affair they were Choſen for if the other Town Concerned come in to it. Mr Jonas Bond one of ye Truſtees informed the Town that the Truſtees had not prepared their Acc^{ts}. to Lay before ye Town And the Town Voted that the Affair of ye Truſtees be continued to the Adjournm^{t} of this Meeting to give them Oppertunity to prepare their Acc^{ts}. to Lay before the Town, And the Town then to paſs on them.

Voted to Revive the Town buy Law Relating to horſes as it Now Stands on Record.

Voted that the Town buy Law Relating to Dogs going to the Publick Meeting houſe be Revived with this Alteration vizt. That the fine be one half to the poor of ye Town, and the other half to him or them that shall procicut & Sue for the Same.

Voted

[22] Voted that Nathl. Harris & Joseph Maſon Esq^{rs}. be a Comm^{tee} to Lay Said buy Laws before the Court of General Seſsions of the peace for their Confirmation.

Then the Petition of James Dix was Red, praying that the Town w^{ld}. pleaſe So far to Superceed w^{t} was done at Laſt March Meeting as to Alow his Shoop to Continue on the Towns Land during the Towns pleaſurer. and to Alow him So much of ye Towns Land as the Town shall Judge Neceſsary & Convenant he paying a reaſonable Rent to the Town for the same.

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town so far to Grant the prayer of ye Petition, That the Petitioners Shoop which Stands on ye Towns Land Near the Mill Crick be alowed to Continue on ye Towns Land during the Towns pleaſurer and that ye Petitioner have So much of ye Towns Land afores^{d} as May be Convenant to Accomodate s^{d} Shoop during the Town's pleaſure, he paying a Reaſonable Rent to the Town for the Same.—And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Chooſe A Comm^{tee} to Let to James Dix So much of ye Towns Land afores^{d}. As to Accomodate his shoop afores^{d}. and to Agree with him what Rent he shall pay for the same, and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Voted and Choſe Meſs^{rs}. Oliver Livermore & John Sawin to be a Comm^{tee}. for the Ends Abovesaid.

Then Voted and Adjourned this Meeting to Munday the Eight day of June Next five of ye Clock Afternoon to this houſe.

At a Meeting of ye Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown on the 8th Day of June 1747 by Adjournment.

The Meeting being but small, it was moved and Seconded to Adjourn the Meeting some time Longer.

Accordingly Voted and Adjourned this Meeting & the buſniſs of it to Tueſday ye 16th. of this Inſtant June Six of the Clock afternoon to this place.

June 16th: 1747. The Meeting Adjourned to this Day at Six of ye Clock afternoon. Dropt by Reaſon of ye Default of ye Inhab^ts^. in not Attending the Same.

At a meeting of ye Selectmen at Thos Saltmarſhs on the 15th. of June 1747. The Selectmen gave their Conſent That Thos Saltmarſh Mary Learned & David Coollidge should have their Licences renewed for this preſent Year, And Nathl. Harris Esqr Renew his Licence to retail.

[23] The Report Voted to be Recorded.

We the Subſcribers a Com^tee^: Appointed to Divide the fence between the Towns Land Near Thomas Wellingtons with the Owners of ye Adjacent Land. having View'd the Land and Meaſured the Line between s^d^ Town Land & Thomas Wellingtons Land we find said Line According to our Meaſure to be abo^t^ forty Eight Rods in the whole abo^t^ 24 Rods whereof belongs to ye Town to fence upon againſt s^d^ Wellingtons. And we judge it will be moſt Convenant for ye Town (all things Conſidred) to have their part together, Viz^t^. beginning at the South End at the Northeaſt Corner of Mr Wellingtons Land & so runing on the South Line which is ab^t^: fourteen Rods (where wall fence may be Errected) Then runing on the Weſt Line till it comes to the Diviſion which is ab^t^ Ten Rods on ye s^d^ Weſt Line, where there muſt be woodin fence the other half the S^d^ Wellington Conſents to take for his part. There is ab^t^. Two Rods between s^d^ Land & Land of Martha Coollidge. And Ab^t^. 30 Rods as we judge without Meaſuring between ye Towns Land & land of W^m^. Godding, there is upland at both Ends (Mr Godding was not preſent) We are of Oppinion (if ye Town Se meet) that S^d^ Godding take his Choice which half of ye Line he will take, to Errect and Maintain fence upon. We are of Oppinion that the Town Make wall fence where it will bear to be Made

All wch is humbly Submitted

P Joseph Maſon } Com^tee^.
Daniel Whitney }

Watertown May 18th: 1747

When this Report was red & Accepted at ye Town Meeting Mr Godding being preſent was Deſired to make his Choice which half of ye Line againſt his Land he would take to Errect and maintain fence upon. & he made choice of the Southerly half.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at Nathl. Harris Esqr. on ye 27 of May 1747 At S^d^ Meeting Joseph Stearns paid his money for ye Land granted to him by ye Town in the year 1741 as alſo

for wt was Granted to Andw. White (wch Sd Stearns had bot of sd White) wch grants was in Elbo Hill Lane, which is in both ye Sum of Seven pounds old Tenour. At Sd Meeting John Coollidge Agreed to Renew his Bond, and to pay the Intereſt of sd Bond from ye Eleventh of Decembr. 1740. He deſired that he might have Liberty to Lay his Caſe before the Town by Petition for Abatmt of Some of ye Intreſt, for Reſons that He may give to ye Town.

Jabez Stratton & David Coollidge not Appearing at this Meeting Agree'd that they be Notified to come to ye Next Meeting of ye Selectmen

[24] July 20th: 1747. At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Meeting houſe. Ordred that a Warrant be Isued out to Warn Thomas Train to Depart out of Watertown, who came from Weſton abt. the 5th. of June Laſt as the Selectmen are Informed and Refides at ye Houſe of Saml Parry.

A Warrant was Isued out accordingly, Service done & Warrant returned P Conſtable Nathl Bright.

At a meeting of ye Selectmen at Mr. John Hunts on the 22d of July 1747. The Selectmen being Informed that there is one Jaan Perkens a Widow woman and her Daughter Suſanna Perkens (a Minor) come to Reſide in Watertown who came from Boſton Some time in Octobr. Laſt who Reſides Now at the Houſe of Henry Learned, the Selectmen Refuſing to Accept of them to be Inhabts. in Watertown. Ordred ye Clerk to Isue out a Warrant to warn them to Depart forth with out of Watertown. Accordingly a Warrant was Isued out.

At a meeting of the Selectmen at the Bridge &c on fryday the 18th: of September 1747. To Conſider what is Neceſsary to be done for the Speedy Repairing of the Bridge over the Mill Crick it being out of Repair. The Selectmen having View'd Said Bridge, they find it Neceſsary that there be Emediately procured Two Cells to bear the Ends of the String pieces, and One String piece And as the Selectmen of Weſton were Deſired the Laſt Year to provid a String piece for sd Bridge, Agreed to send Word to the Selectmen of Weſton to bring Down sd String piece & Two Cills to the sd. Bridge by the Middle of the Next week. (word was Emmediatly Sent P Nathl. Walker of sd Weſton) The Selectmen Agre'd to meet again at Sd Bridge on Thurſday the 24 Inſtant at two Clock afternoon in order to take further Steps relating to ye repairing of sd Bridge.

Thurſday the 24th. of Sepr. 1747 The Selectmen meet and Agre'd to provid Stones and workmen and to go abot the work the Next Day.

Sepr. 25. The Selectmen Meet, And the Timber being Come from Weſton vizt one String piece of 41 feet Two Cills of 18

feet Each in Length (ab^{t} 34 feet) The Bridge over the Crick was taken up and ye Selectmen found it Necessary to procure a nother String piece Two of the old ones being So rotten y^{t} they w^{ld} not do again Accordingly they bought one of Mr Ebenezer Thornton of 32 feet for Eight pounds.—

[25] Sepr the 28th: 1747. The Selectmen took Acc^{t} of the work Done in Repairing the Bridge over the Mill Crick, Meturals and Expences. which are as follow's vizt:

Sepr 25	Nathl. Norcross 3 Days at 16/P	£2= .8=..
	Benjn. Hastings 3 Days 18/P	2—14=..
	Jona^{n} Learned 3 Days Teem one	3= .7—..
	David Learned Man & Teem 2 Days	
26	Man 1 Day	3=14=..
28	Nathl Harris a Man 3 Days	2= .2=..
	Saml Cook one Day 16/ Eb Thatcher	
	2 Days 32/	.2— .8=..
	Joseph Mason 2 Days & ½	.1— .. —..
	Wid^{w}. Mary Learned for 15 Dinners at 3/6 P & for Drink for y^{e} workmen 83/6 all is —	.6=16=..
	Saml Fisk for a Load of Stones	..— .5—..
	Saml Barnard for a Load of Slate Stones brot by him to the Bridge	.1— ..—..
	W^{m}- Coollidge for two Stones	..— .5—..
	David Sanger for one Ditto	..— .3—..
	One String piece bo^{t} of Mr Thornton	.8— ..—..
		£34= .2=..

Weston P Benjn. Harrington Sent one String piece 41 feet & 2 Cills 17 feet Each. — — — — — — — — — — —

Sepr. 30 1747 At the Desire of David Coollidge the Selectmen Preambulated with him on the Line between the HighWay and the Small piece of Land bot of y^{e} Towns Com^{tee}: by his Father Thos Coollidge Deceased, against his Swamp (so Called) and the Line runs as follows vizt. beginning at the Eastermost bend in the Wall against S^{d} Swamp and runs abo^{t} Nine Rods Easterly parrellel with Dea Joseph Coolledgs wall on the oppiset Side of s^{d} way, Said High way being full four Rods wide at ye End of said Nine Rods, and then with a gradual turn to run to the Northwest Corner of s^{d} Dea: Coollidges Land on ye South Side of s^{d} Way. Said Line departes from the bend afores^{d} and Entersix the Corner afores^{d}. and is a bow Line, the Land in closed being ab^{t} Thirty feet wide in the middle or widest place the two Ends are points. and is the Contents of Land Contained in the Deed in that place.

Saml. Jeniſon alſo Deſired the Selectmen to preambulate wth him on the line between his Land at a place Called Dorcheſter field and the Town way Leading to the flats, the Selectmen Concented that ye s^{d} Jeniſon Should Straighten his fence Leaving s^{d} Town way the whole Length of it againſt his Land full two Rods in Width.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at Eben^{r} Thatchers on ye 30th: of Nov^{r}: 1747 at s^{d} Meeting Agreed wth m^{r} Nathl Harrington to keep the Gramer & Engliſh School three months from ye 7th of Decemb^{r} Next, and as a reward y^{r} for to have from the Town fifteen pounds P^{r} month old Tenor. Deſired Mr Hunt to procure a load of wood for ye school and to be paid therefor out of ye Town Treaſurey. The Wid^{w} Webb standing in Need of a peticot a p^{r} of stockens & a handkerchif, Agreed that they be procured for her & paid out of ye Treaſury.
Samuel Jeniſon Made Application to ye Selectmen on Acc^{r} of Suſana Murch who was at his houſe (Mr. Brindly refuſing to let her live in his houſe) She being in Neceſsitous Circumſtances. the Selectmen deſired s^{d} Jeniſon to Interceed wth his Mother for a room for her three months and they Ingage for the rent alſo Deſired s^{d} Jeniſon to procure a load of wood for her and to be paid by y^{e}. Town.

[26] At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of Jonas Bond on the 20th. of January 1747. At Said Meeting the Selectmen Agreed to Send to the Selectmen of Weſton to procure fourteen hundred of plank for the great Bridge to be thick as uſual and Sixteen feet in length and to bring them to the Bridg as Soon as may be. Deſired the Clerk to Send to s^{d}. Selectmen. Agreed to Deſire the Selectmen of Waltham to meet the Selectmen of Watertown at Mr Thos. Saltmarſhs Inholder in Watertown on Munday the firſt Day of Feby. Next at Two of the clock afternoon in Order to adjust and proportion y^{d} Acc^{ts} of ye Charge of the poor and other Affairs where in the Towns are Concerned. Ordred the Clerk to Notify ye Selectmen of Waltham of S^{d} Meeting. Letters were Sent to y^{d} Selectmen of Weſton & Waltham accordingly by ye Clerk.—

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown and Waltham at Thos: Saltmarſhs on Feb^{y}: 1. 1747/8. The Acc^{t}. of the Charge of the poor wear Adjusted Proportioned, and Conſented to and Signed by ye Selectmen of Each Town. as P Acc^{t}. on file, and Recorded at Large in the Treaſurers Records Liber (2) Page (47).

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at Joseph Masons on the 15th of Feb^{y}: 1747/8. Ordred the Clerk to Isue out Warrants Directed to the Conſtables of Watertown to Warn the Free-

holders and other Inhabts. of sd Town who are Qualified to Vote in Town Affairs, To meet at the Publick Meeting houſe in Said Town on Munday the Seventh Day of March Next at Ten of the Clock before noon for the Ends following. vizt. (1) To Chooſe a Moderator for sd Meeting. (2) To Chooſe Selectmen to manage the prudential Affairs of ye Town for ye Year Enſuing. To Chooſe a Town Clerk a Town Treaſurer Conſtables Aſseſsors and all other Such Town Officers as are by Law to be choſen in the month of March Annually. (3) To Chooſe a Saxton and Agree how he Shall be Satisfyed. (4) To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer. (5) To know ye mind of ye Town wethr Swine shall run at Large, under ye Regulations of ye Law in yt Reſpect. (6) To hear the Town Treaſurers Accts. (7) For ye Town to manifeſt yr Minds how the Intreſt Money Coming to ye Town this preſent year (the Year begining ye 11th of Decembr. Laſt) Shall be Appropriated. (8) To Grant money to pay ye Revd: Mr Storer his Salary according to Contract for the Enſuing Year, the year beginning the firſt of March Next. And to know the mind of ye Town what Addition they will make to ye Revd Mr Storers Salary for the Enſuing Year, and to Grant what may be Agreed on or otherwiſe Agree in what way and method it Shall be Satisfied. (9) To Grant money for the Support of the School, or other wiſe Agree how sd School Shall be Supported the Year Enſuing the year beginning the Eighth day of March Next, And for the Town to manifest yr minds in what way and Method a Schoolmaſter shall be procured. and in what way and Method the School shall be Supplied with firewood. (10) To Grant money for the Support of ye Poor for the year Enſuing. And to do Any other thing Relating to the poor. (11) To hear the Accts. of thoſe perſons To whom the Town is Indebted, and to Grant money to Satisfy them (12) To Grant money for the Repairing of ye Meeting houſe Glaſs. (13) To Grant money for the Repairing of ye Great Bridge over Charles River in sd Town.

(14)

[27] (14) To know the mind of the Town whether the High Ways and Town Ways Shall be mended the Year Enſuing by Rate, and if the Town shall come into this method, Then to make a Grant for Said Affair, And for the Town to State the price of Day Labour both for men and Teems, and that Perſons may work out their Reſpective Rates at wch they are Set (If they se meet) at the price the Town Agrees upon and to Chooſe the Surveyers of highways to be Collectors of Said Rate or to Se that it be worked out with in the Year in the way and maner that the Town may or shall Agree upon. (15) To hear the pleas of some of ye Late Conſtables for the Town to Abate or Sink Some perticuler Perſons Rates in their Lifts of Rates, and for the

Town to Act their pleafure wth Relation thereto. (16) To hear ye Petition of Jabez Stratton of Sherbourn wth. Relation to a Bond which He gave to the Towns Committee for Land Sold to him by Said Committee. And for the Town to Act their pleafure with relation thereunto. (17) To hear the Acc^{t}. of the Late Truftees who Received Watertowns Proportion of y^{e} £ 60000 Loan of y^{r} proceedings in Said Truft. And for the Town to Act y^{r} pleafure wth Relation thereto. (18) To know the mind of ye Town how the money which was paid by Impreft men in the Town, and wch by Law belongs to the Town Shall be Appropriated. (19) whereas there is a Certain building, Standing Near the Training field to be Sold by Matthias Stone To know the mind of ye Town, whether they will purchafe said building for the Ufe of the Town.
and for the Town to Do any other thing or things that may be for the benefit and Intereft of the Town.

And to Order the Conftables to notify Such Perfons as the Town is Indebted to to bring in their Acc^{ts}. to the Selectmen at the Houfe of the Wid^{w}. Mary Learned on fryday the fourth Day of March Next at three of ye Clock after noon in ord^{r} to have them Laid before the Town. alfo to Notify the Late Collectors & Surveyers of High Ways to meet ye Selectmen at s^{d} time and place in order to make up y^{r} Acc^{ts}.
At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the Wid^{w}. Mary Learneds on ye 4th. Day of March 1747/8 for ye Receiving in of ye Acc^{t} of Such perfons as the Town Are Indebted to in ord^{r} to Ly y^{m} before the Town at y^{r} Next Annual Meeting. The Perfons and y^{r} Acc^{t} are as follows.

Benjn. Haftings Acc^{t}. To 5 days ½ work at ye great Bridge mending ye same 23/P day	6—.6—.6
Joseph Paterfon for Serving Conftable & Warning 2 Meetings	1— .6—..
Nathl. Bright for Serving Conftable warning 2 meetings & Conveying a Wooman to Cambridg	1—18—..
Oliver Liver^{more} & And^{w}. White a Com^{tee}. Chofen to to make y^{e} Wall between y^{e} Burying plafe and Mr Sawins Land. y^{r} Acc^{t} was 31—4—.. y^{e} Grant made for s^{d} work £25 y^{a} Received dute to them	6= .4—..
Propofed to Grant for the mending of y^{e} Gate at y^{e} Buring place	1— ..—..
James Bailey Survey^{r} for Plank for 2 whelms and mending	3=13=.4
David Livermore for Speeks for y^{e} Great Bridge at Sundry times between March 16th 1746/7 & Octo^{r} 9th following	3= .8—.6
Nathl. Harris Esqr for his Service as An Afsefsor the year 1747	5— ..—..

Thos Saltmarſh for his Service as Aſseſsor the Year 1747			5—..—..
Joseph Maſon for his Service as Aſseſsor for ye year 1747	5—..—..		
For Caſh paid to ye Clerk of ye Seſsions for Entring Watertowns by Laws	1—..—..		26=..—..
and for his Service as Clerk & Treaſr ye year 1747	20—..—..		
Wm: Coollidge Surveyr. for Plank procured for Smelt brook bridge & Treadways			.1—.7—..
To ye Comtee Choſen to fence ye Miniſteral Land Near Thomas Wellingtons vizt			
To Joseph Maſon	5—.7—..		
To Andw. White	8—.2—..		
To Joseph Harrington	7—13—..	28=.6—..	
To Jonan. Bemis	5—.8—..	ya give	
To Daniel Whitney	1—16—..	Cr for Bark .6—..—..	
		Due 22—.6—..	22—.6—..
			83=10—..

At Sd Meeting Mrs Coollidge ye Wife of John Coollidge brot Acct. of woork done for ye Widw Webb & Caſh Laid out for her amounting 5=17=.8 wch. ye Selectmen Alowed as Alſo four pound for her Extroordinary trouble wth sd Widow this year.

And Ordred the Treaſurer to pay both one Jonan Page was brot to ye Selectmen at ys Meeting from Framingham by a Warrant. the Selectmen deſired ye Widw. Mary Learned to take and provide for sd page a few days till after the Town Meeting.

[28] At a General Town Meeting of ye freeholdrs & other Inhabts. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Aſsembled at ye Publick Meeting houſe in Sd Town on the Seventh Day of March A. D. 1747/8 for the Choice of Town Officers & other Buiſneſs &c.—

Voted and Choſe Doctor Joſiah Convers Moderator.

Voted and Choſe for Selectmen
- Mr Jonas Bond
- Joseph Maſon Esqr.
- Doctr. Joſiah Convers
- Mr Oliver Livermore
- Mr Jonathan Bemis

Voted and Choſe Joseph Maſon Esqr Town Clerk

Voted and Choſe Joseph Maſon Esqr Town Treaſurer.

Voted and Choſe for 1. Conſtable Joseph Whitney

Voted and Choſe for 2d Conſtable Saml. Fiske. who being prſent Refuſed to Serve.

Voted and Choſe for 2d Conſtable William Godding.

Voted and Choſe for Aſſeſsors { Mr Nathl. Harrington, Joseph Maſon Esqr, Mr Thos. Saltmarſh }

Voted and Choſe Isaac Sanderſon Sealer of Leather

Voted and Choſe for fence Viewers Thomas Saltmarſh & James Dix.

Voted and Choſe for Surveyers of HighWays Nathl. Harrington & Saml. Stratton

Voted & Choſe for Tythingmen Saml Nutting & Simon Coollidge

Voted and Choſe for Hogrievs Jonan Stone Tartus and John Whitney

Voted and Choſe for meaſurers & Surveyrs of Timber &c Ebenr Thornton & Jonas Coollidge

Voted and Choſe for Hawards Joſhua Stratton & David Sanger.

Voted and Choſe for Gager of Caſk Smith Prentice.

Voted and Choſe for Deer rieves (on ye Adjournmt 14 Day) Thos Saltmarſh David Livermore

Voted and Choſe and Choſe Henry Spring Tartus Saxton

Voted to pay Sd Saxton by Two Contrabutions as has been Uſual in ye years paſt

Voted that Swine Run At Larg under the Regulations of ye Law in yt Case

Then The Treaſurer Laid his Accts. before The Town and the Sum Total that ye Treaſurey was Charged for amounted to £563=11=.7

The foot of the Credit Amounted to £430=19=.8

Outstanding in the Conſtables hands or Liſts 117=11=.8

And In the Treaſurey .15= .. —.3 £563=11=.7

The Acct. of the Intreſt Recd Since 2d of Laſt March amounted to—— 214=16—.6

Their was paid Out by ordr. of ye Selectmen to ye Miniſter & Schoolmaſter — — — — — — — — — — — — 214=16=.6

Then the Vote was put whether the Town do Alow & Accept of ye Treaſurers Accts. and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

Voted and Appropreated the Intreſt money Coming to ye Town this prſent Year ye year beginning the Eleventh of Decr Laſt toward Supporting the Miniſtry & School.

Voted and Granted ye Sum of One Hundred Pounds old T r for ye Revd mr Seth Storers Salary (old Tener) According to Contract.

Voted and Granted the Sum of Three hundred Pounds old

Tener as an Addition to ye Rev^d^. Mr Storers Salary for ye Enſuing Year. ye Year begining the firſt of this Inſtant March, Two hundred to be Aſseſt, & one hundred p^d^ out of ye Intreſt money

Voted

[29] Voted the Sum of Two hundred Pounds old Tenor for ye Support of the School One hundred Pounds to be paid out of the Intreſ money the other hundred to be Aſseſt.

The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of ye Town to Chooſe a Comm^tee^. to Procure a Schoolmaſter for ye Town at ye Towns Charge & ye Vote paſt in ye Affirmative.

Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee for ye Ends afores^d^.

Voted that thoſe Perſons who Send their Children or Servants to School Shall Supply the School with firewood when y^r^ is Occation for ye Same

Voted and Granted the Sum of Eighty Pounds old Ten^r^ for the Support of the Poor. the year Enſuing.

Voted that the Arreage of Suſa^n^ Murch's Rent Due to Fra: Brindley Esqr be paid out of Said Eighty Pounds to Saml Jeniſon.

Then paſt to ye 16th. Article in ye Warrant wch. was to hear Jabiz Stratton's Petition &c. (Said Stratton being preſent) After the Petition was Red and debated on The Vote was put whether it is the mind of the Town to Act any thing on said Article. And it paſt in the Negative.

Upon a Motion made & Seconded. The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Adjourn this Meeting and ye Remaining buiſneſs to to Munday the 14th Day of this Inſtant March at one of the clock afternoon at this place. And the Vote paſt in the Affarmative. Accordingly it was Adjorned.

At a General Town meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhab^ts^. of Watertown on the 14th. of March 1747/8 by Adjournm^t^

A List of thoſe Perſons and their Acc^ts^. to whom the Town is Indebted was Laid before the Town and Red Amounting in all to ye Sum of Eighty three Pounds 10/. after they were Conſidred. The Vote was put whether the Town do Accept & a Low the Several Acc^ts^. as Mentioned in s^d^ Lift. and y^e^ Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Voted and Granted the Sum of Eighty three Pounds 10/ old Tener to Satisfy Said Acc^ts^.

Voted and Granted the Sum of Ten Pounds $\frac{\text{old T.}}{\text{A}}$ for y^e^ Mending the glaſs of y^e^ Meeting houſe.

Voted for the Repairing of y^e^ Great Bridge the Sum of Thirty Seven Pounds to be paid out of y^e^ money Due to y^e^ Town from the Late Truſtees.

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of y^e^ Town to mend the High Ways and Town ways by Rate this preſent Year, and ye Vote paſt in ye Affarmative

Voted and Granted the Sum of Three hundred Pounds old Tenor for the Mending said Ways

Voted and Choſe the preſent Surveyers of ye HighWays vizt Nathl. Harrington & Saml Stratton to be the Collectors of s^d^ Grant to mend the High Ways, or to Se that it be work't out According to ye Direction of ye Town.

Then the Vote was put whether it is the Mind of the Town that in working at the Way's above s^d^ the price of a day for a Single man be Eighteen Shillings & the price of a Day for a man & his Teem be Thirty Six ſhillings old Tenor, and that Eight hourſs be Accounted for a Day. and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Voted and Sunk Thaddeus Coollidges Rates in Conſtable Jona^n^. Churches Liſts of Rates

Voted

[30] Voted and Abated Allen Browns Rates in Conſtable Joſiah Stearns Liſts amounting to Twenty five Shillings old Ten^r^.

Voted and Granted to Joſiah Stearns fifteen Shillings in part of w^t^ was Sunk in his Liſt.

Voted that ye Ten Shillings due from ye Town to s^d^ Allen Brown be paid to Said Stearns to make up the Twenty five Shillings Sunk, on s^d^ Browns Acc^t^ in his Liſts.

Upon a Motion made the Vote was put whether the Town would Reconſider their Vote made upon the Sixteenth Article Relating to the Petition of Jabez Stratton, And the Vote paſt on ye Negative

Then the Late Truſtees Acc^t^. was Laid before the Town and Red And it Appeared by the Acc^t^. that there was in y^r^ hands Due to ye Town To Ballance S^d^ Affairs the Sum of Thirty Seven pounds & 3^d^. —

The Vote was then put Whether it is the mind of ye Town to Accept of ye s^d^ Truſtees Acc^t^. and that they pay the Ballance Due from them to the Town, into the Town Treaſurey for the uſe of the Town And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Then the Eighteenth Article in ye Warrant Relating to the Appropriating the Money belonging to ye Town wch was paid as fines by Impreſt men was Red, And the Vote was put whether it is ye Mind of ye Town at this Meeting to Appropriate Said Money or any part thereof. and the Vote paſt on the Negative.

Then the Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to purchaſe the Small Building to be Sold by Matthias Stone, for the uſe of ye Town And the Vote Paſt in the Negative.

A motion was then made for the Town to purchaſe a Smal Book of Records of Births & Deaths y^t^ is in John Sawins hands Left by his Father formerly Town Clerk of Watertown.

Put to Vote whether the Town do Grant the Sum of Twenty

five shillings old Tenor to purchaſe therewith the Said Book of Records and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of the Town to Revive the Town by Law Relating to horſes as it Stands on Record vizt. That no Perſon or Perſons Shall Suffer their horſes or horſe kind Above the Age of Six months to Run at Large with in the Limmetts of Watertown without their being well fettred from the firſt Day of April Next to the Laſt Day of October following under the penalty or forfiture of Two Shillings & Six pence for evry one found without fetters. & ye Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Voted that Joseph Maſon Esqr. Lay this Town by Law before the Hon^{r}ble Court of Genl. Seſsions of ye peace for the County of Midd^{x}. and in the Name of ye Town to Deſire the Court to Confirme the Same

[31] March 11th: 1747/8 The Perſons under named were Sworn to the faithfull Diſcharge of their Reſpective Offices; at a Meeting of ye Selectmen.

Joseph Maſon Esqr To the Offices of Town Clerk Town Treaſ^{r} And Aſseſsor. Before Nathl. Harris Justice peace

Nathl. Harrington To ye office of Aſseſsor. before Nathl. Harris Ju^{s} p^{s}.

Joseph Whitney Constable William Godding Constable Thos SaltMarſh Aſseſsor Isaac Sanderſon Sealer of Leath^{r} Thomas Saltmarſh fence View.^{r} James Dix fence Viewer Nathl. Harrington Surveyer of Highways James Nutting Tything man Jona^{n} Stone Tartus Hogrieve Ebenez^{r} Thornton & Jonas Coollidge Surveyers and Meaſurers of Timber plank &c.— David Sanger Haward Smith Prentice Gager of Cask	all Sworn before Joseph Maſon Jus^{e}: peace

At this Meeting after the Selectmen had throuly Examined Jona^{n} Page who was bro^{t} to Watertown from Framingham Agreed to take Adviſe of Council in ye Law. Agreed y^{t} Joseph Maſon & Oliver Livermore, take advice of Council before the Adjournm^{t} of ye Town Meeting that ye Town may be Aquainted there with. The Selectmen Deſired the Wid^{w}. Mary Learned at whoſe houſe ye s^{d} Page was to take care of him and Supply him wth Victualls & Drink Neceſsary till further order, and to be Satiſfyed therefor by the Town

At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{r} Jonas Bond on the Twenty firſt Day of March 1747/8. The Selectmen Appointed the Surveyers of High ways their Bounds or Diſtricts

for the Mending of the High Ways & Town Ways, which are as follows, vizt. Sam^{ll}. Stratton Surveyer his Bounds or Diſtrict to be, All the HighWays and Town Ways Eaſt of the lane which begins at the Country Road by the Corner of Justice Harris Two Acres So called, and Running by the Meeting houſe acroſs ye Town to Cambridge Line Near Thos Wellingtons. And the South part of said Lane from the Meeting Houſe.

Mr Nathl. Harrington Surveyer his Bounds or Diſtrict, is all the HighWays and Town Ways above or Weſterly of ye Town way that Leads from the Country Road by Juſtice Harris Two Acres So Called, and So Running by the Meeting Houſe Acroſs the Town to Cambridge Bounds Near to Thos Wellingtons. And the North part of Said Lane or Way from the Meeting houſe

This

[32] This Meeting being the time Appointed to take care to put out the Widow Webb to board, No Perſon Appearing to take her, beſide Mr John Coollidge (P^{r} his Wife) He being willing to take her another Year upon Sutable Incouragm^{t}. So as not to be a looſer by the taking of her Mr Coollidge & wife Conſidering the s^{d} Wid^{ws}. Advanced Age, and grat Bodilie Infirmatives thought they could not take the care of her as She ought to be taken care of under Twenty ſhillings P^{r} week old Tenor, and for that He ye s^{d} Coollidge was willing to take her ye s^{d} Wid^{w}. and take good Care of her a nother Year if she S^{ld} Survive. The Selectmen taking the affair into Conſideration and Conſidering how well Satisfied ye s^{d} wid^{w}. is at s^{d} Coollidges and her manifeſting great uneaſineſs to be removed and fearing the ill Conſiquence if removed, alſo Conſidering the great Price of proviſions & all Neceſsaris for houſe keeping The Selectmen Do Agree in be half of ye Town to give the Said m^{r} John Coollidge after the Rate of Twenty shillings P^{r} week for boarding and taking care of ye s^{d} Wid^{w}. Webb A nother Year the Year to begin the Twenty fifth of this Inſtant March And if any Extreordinary Charge Ariſe by Reaſon of Sickneſs or other Diſastures to be Alowed reaſonable Satisfaction therefor.

Agreed and Appointed Mr Benjn. Haſtings to take ye Care of ye great Bridge for the Year Enſuing and mend the same as y^{r} Is Occation He to be satisfied therefor.

Joseph Maſon Esqr. and Mr Oliver Livermore were Deſired to go to Edm^{d} Trowbridge Esqr. in order to forward ye Petition propoſed to be preferred to ye Court of Seſsions at y^{r} Adjourn^{t} in April Next with Relation to Jona^{n}. Page who was Sent to Watertown from Framingham and to in gage Him Sutable Satisfaction.

The Bell or Hangings of ye Bell being out of Order and y^{r} Needed Some Smith work to be done to Secure the Bell, the Selectmen Deſired Doct^{t}. Convers to speak to M^{r} Joſiah Stearns

to Se what is wanting, and to do what is needfull for the Security of s^d^ Bell

The School being at preſent Vacant, The Selectmen Deſired Mr Jonas Bond and Docter Convers to take upon them the care of Inquiring after a Sutable Gentlman to keep the School, and make Report to ye Selectmen.—

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of Joseph Maſon Esqr. on the 29th Day of April AD. 1748.

The Selectmen having Received a Precipt from Authority Requiring them to Aſsemble the Inhab^ts^. of Watertown for to Chooſe a Repreſentative &c.

In Obſervance of which Precipt, Ordred the Clerk to Iſue out Warrants Directed to the Conſtables of s^d^ Town to warn the freehold^rs^. and other Inhab^ts^. of said Town who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative, To Aſsemble at the Publick Meeting houſe in Said Town, on Munday the Sixteenth Day of May Next at Two of the Clock Afternoon, Then and there to Elect & Depute a Sutable Perſon to Serve for and Repreſent them in a Great and General Court or Aſsembly Appointed to be Conven'd held and kept for his Maj^es^. Service at the Court houſe in Boſton on Wedneſday the Twenty fifth Day of May Next.

Likewiſe to warn the freeholde^rs^. and other Inhab^ts^. of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs to Meet at the Publick Meeting houſe on the 16th. Day of May Next at three of ye Clock after noon for the Ends following. viz. 1. To Chooſe a Moderator. (2) To know the mind of ye Town How the money paid by Impreſt men belonging to the Town and wch. is bro^t^. into the Town Shall be Diſpoſed off. (3) To know whether it is the Mind of ye Town that the Meeting houſe Should be Regulerly and Decently Seated again. And to do what is proper with Relation thereto if they Se meet. (4) To know the Mind of ye Town whether they will Diſpoſe of thoſe Pew's in the Meeting houſe Lately belonging to Perſons wch have Diſpoſed of their Estates in Town and which are gon or going out of Watertown.

Warrants were Accordingly Iſued out.

This 29th. Day of April One Mary Prieſt a Single woman was bro^t^ by Authority (from Waltham) to the Selectmen. And She being Pregnant & Near her time, the Selectmen being Oblidged to take the care of her, M^r^. Jonas Bond & Doc^t^. Joſiah Convers

Were

[33] Were Deſired to Enterſeed with m^r^ Daniel Bond where She had Liv'd and with whoſe Wife She had been brought up, that they w^ld^. take the care of her, and do what is Neceſsary

for her, under her Preſent Circumſtances; and to keep a true and just Acc^{t} And to be well Rewarded by the Town.

At a General Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhab^{ts} of Watertown Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative. Regulerly Aſsembled on the 16th. Day of May AD. 1748. at the Publick Meeting Houſe in s^{d} Town.

At Said Meeting the Votes were given in, and after they were Sorted and Counted it Appeared that Mr Jonas Bond was Choſen to Serve for and Repreſent the Town at a great and General Court or Aſsembly Appointed to be Conven'd held and kept for His Maj^{es}. Service at the Court houſe in Boſton on the 25 Day of May Currant.

At a General Town Meeting of the freehold^{rs}. and other Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Aſsembled on ye 16th. Day of May AD 1748. Voted and Choſe Mr Jonas Bond Moderator. —
Voted to Appropriate the Money in the Treaſurey, wch came into it by Impreſt men, as their fines.
Voted forty Pounds old Tenor of Said Money to Joseph Stearns under his preſent Difficulty, (he having been preſt and paid his fine) To be paid to his Brother Joſiah Starnes and to be Improved by him for the Said Joseph's Sole Uſe and benefit.
Voted forty Pounds old Tener of ye Money in ye Treaſurey aboves^{d} To John Sanger who has been almost Two Years in the Countrys Service at the Eaſward, to be paid to him or Order. —
Voted that the Remainder in the Treaſurey (wch is forty Pounds old Tener) be Appropriated to help hire men for his Maj^{es}. Service as there is Occation, and to be Drawn out of ye Treaſurey by the Preſent Commiſsion Officers in the Town belonging to the foot Company as there Shall be Evident Occation therefor.

Then the Vote was put whether it is the mind of the Town that the Meeting houſe Should be New Seated Again in a Reguler & Decent manner and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Chooſe a Comm^{tee}: to New Seat the Meeting houſe. and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Voted and Choſe Meſsu^{rs}. Nathl. Bright Jona^{n} Bemis Danl Whitney And^{w}. White & Thos: Saltmarſh to be the Com^{tee}. for the Ends above said.

Voted that the Comm^{tee}: in Seating the Meeting houſe Should proceed therein According to former Inſtruction given in that Affair, vizt. To have Regard to Age Honour & uſefullneſs alſo to go according to the Real and Perſonal Eſtate as it Stands in the Invoice Alowing one head.

Put to Vote whether it is the mind of the Town to Diſpoſe of

thoſe Pews in the Meetinghouſe wch Returns to the Town Agreable to the Conditions of ye firſt Settlement of the pews; To Such Perſons as the Town Shall agree to. And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Put to Vote whether it is the mind of ye Town That thoſe Perſons to whom the Town Shall Diſpoſe of ye Pews to Shall pay into the Town Treaſurey, for the same such sums as the Town Shall Agree to. And ye Vote paſt in ye Affirmative.

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[34] Put to Vote Whether it is the Mind of the Town Said Pews Shall Remain under the Same Regulations and Conditions in all Reſpects that they were built upon And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Diſpoſe of said Pews to Perticular Perſons, at this Meeting. And ye Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Put to Vote whether it is the Mind of the Town that m^r^. Nathl. Norcroſs Shall have the Pew under the Stairs that was Lately Joſhua Benjamins He having paid s^d^ Benjamin His prime Cost of bulding s^d^ pew. And ye Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Voted to Diſpoſe next of ye Pew wch was Capt^t^. Thos Homans. —

The Vote was Put whether it is the mind of the Town That M^r^. Jona^n^ Brown jun^r^ Should have the Pew wch Lately belonged to Capt. Homans. And ye Vote paſt in ye Negative

Put to Vote whether it is the Mind of the Town, That m^r^. Daniel Whitney Should have that Pew wch Lately belonged to Capt Homans, upon the Condition as above Voted. And the Vote paſed in the Affirmative.

The Vote was Put whether it is the mind of the Town that m^r^ Jonathan Bemis Should have that Pew wch Lately belonged to Joſhua Biglo on the Condition aboves^d^ Voted. And the Vote past in the Affirmative. —

Then the Vote was put whether it is the mind of the Town To Adjourn this Meeting to the Second Munday in June Next to this place of five of ye Clock Afternoon to hear and Receive the Report of the Committee Choſen to New Seat the Meetinghouſe of what they Shall do in s^d^ Affair &c. and ye Vote paſt in ye Affirmative.

The Selectmen Ordred a pair of Shoo's to be procured for the Wid^w^. Webb. Agreed that Mr John Coollidges Wife (where s^d^ Webb is) be deſired to procure what is Needfull and Neceſsary for the Mending of ye S^d^ Wid^ws^. Stays and to git them mended and to bring Acc^t^. thereof to ye Selectmen in order to be paid. —

At a General Town Meeting of ye freehold^rs^. and other Inhab^ts^. of Watertown on the 13th. Day of June AD. 1748 P Adjournm^t^.

Whereas the Town at their Laſt Meeting Granted to Danl

Whitney That Pew in the Meeting houſe Lately Capt Thos: Homans; And to Jona^{n}. Bemis That Pew wch was Lately Joſhua Bigelo's, And they to pay therefor Such Sums as the Town Agre'd to: But no Sum then Agre'd upon.

Put to Vote Whether it is the Mind of the Town That the Same Sums which the Town pay's for s^{d} Pews upon y^{r} Return to the Town as the prime Cost thereof Agreeable to the Eſtabliſhment of the Pews; Be the Sums that the s^{d} Whitney and Bemis pay into the Treaſurey for the Said Pew's the Town Voted to them. And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

The Com^{tee}: who were Choſen to Seat the Meeting Houſe gave in their Report as to their proceedings in Said Affair; wch Report was Red to ye Town, And After Conſideration there on the Vote was put

Whether it is the mind of the Town to Accept of the s^{d} Report. And the Vote paſt in the Negative. ——

[34½] July 1. 1748. At a meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Oliver Livermors. The Selectmen Agreable to the truſt Repoſed in them Relating to the Procuring a Gentleman to keep the School in Watertown (After Several Steps taken in s^{d} Affair) the Selectmen having now a Proſpect of a Gentleman Sutable to keep S^{d} School, Agreed that Jonas Bond Docter Convers & Joseph Maſon forthwith Endeavour to Ingage and Secure s^{d} Gentleman to keep ye School in Watertown upon as eaſey tearms as they can and for So Long time as the s^{d} Gentleman Shall Agree to, not Exceeding the firſt Munday in March Next, And make Report at the Next Meeting of the Selectmen

July 4. 1748. At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the Widow Mary Learneds, for the Conſideration of the List of Licenced Perſons in Watertown &c.

The Selectmen Approved of Thos Saltmarſh Mary Learned & David Coollidge having their Licences as Inholders renewed for the ye Year Enſuing. Alſo m^{r} John Hunt being Licenced as a Retailer for ye Year Enſuing.

At this Meeting Meſs^{rs}. Jonas Bond Josiah Convers & Joseph Mason who were to Agree wth the Gentleman wch the Selectmen had Information was Likely to keep the School. Reported as follow's, That they had this Day Applied to Mr Jona^{n} Sewal (the Gentl^{n} abovs^{d}) And had Agreed with him to keep the Grammer & Engliſh School in Watertown untill the firſt Munday of March Next, after the Rate of One hundred and Sixty five pounds a Year, and to pay for or find him his Board. And He ye s^{d} Sewal to begin to keep s^{d} School the Eighteenth day of this Inſtant July. Agre'd that Joseph Mason & Jonas Bond Endeavor to procure a place for the Schoolmaſter to board at and Agree on w^{t} terms.

Agre'd that Docter Convers and Jona^{n} Bemis go to Mr Daniel

Bonds and Defire of him the Acc^{t}. of the Charge of Mary Prieft her Board and Lying in and to know His Demand If he keep her ye S^{d} Prieft any time Longer. and to make Report at the Nex Meeting of ye Selectmen

July 11. 1748. At a meeting of the Selectmen at Docter Convers Agreed wth. Daniel Bond to keep Mary Prieft for a Month from the 15th. Day of this Inftant at Six Shillings p^{r} Weak old Tenor and after that to keep her and her Child for her work (if the Child wch is now froward should be more Quet) if she be able to do w^{t} is Equal to her Board.

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[35] The Widow Mary Maddocks being under low Circumftances no place to shelter in and being now at M^{r}. Henry Springs jun^{r} (where for a long time She has at times crowded her Self in and has been troublefome as well as Chargable to the familie s^{d} Spring loth to turn her out into the streets) Said Spring Applied to the Selectmen (as S^{d} Widow had done a little before) & Aquainted the Selectmen with the S^{d} Widows Circumftances and that He could not maintain her alone the Selectmen taking the Matter into Confideration, Defired M^{r}. Spring to Let s^{d} Wid^{w}. have houfe room and Victuals when She when She Should come to his houfe deftitute (and incourage her to be diligent in arning w^{t} she can) And he ye s^{d} Spring to have a Reafonable Recompence, and He to keep a true Acc^{t}.

Agred to Send to the Selectmen of Wefton Emmediatly to Send Down the Plank for ye Great Bridge wch. they were to procure

Wm. Denis at Henry Learneds

Mary Cornifh at Ben Haftings

At a meeting of the Selectmen at Jonathan Bemis on the 29th. Day of July AD. 1748. Ordred the Clerk to Isue out a Warrant forthwith to Warn One W^{m}. Dennis and one Mary Cornifh alis Mary Bemis to Depart out of s^{d} Town, the Selectmen refufing to Accept of them to be Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown. the S^{d} Dennis came from Roxbury in the County of Suffolk as ye Selectmen are Informed. And the Said Mary Came from Waltham in ye County of Midd^{x} where She is a proper Inhab^{t}. thô She came Laft from Cambridge where she was warned out as ye Selectmen are Informed —

(A Warrant was Isued Accordingly & Return made & Caution Entred)

Augst. 1748. The Selectmen Meet at Mr Jonas Bonds And Agre'd to go to Concord Court abo^{t} ye Affair of Jon^{n} Page &c Agreed to send a Summons to m^{r} John Arms.

October 13.th: 1748. At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of Joseph Mafon, The Selectmen having in the behalf of Watertown, Recovred a Bill of Cost at Concord Court Laft againft Framingham Relating to Jona^{n} Page Amounting to

Twelve pounds Ninteen Shillings (old Tenor) Agreed that s^d^ Bill of Cost be paid to Such Perſons to whom it is Due. Viz^t^. The Clerk of ye Seſsions Attorney Witneſses &c. Deſired Joseph Maſon to pay out of ye s^d^ Bill of Cost (wch is in his hands) to thoſe it belongs to. Agreed to give to Edm^d^. Trowbridge Esqr. who was Improved by ye Selectmen in s^d^ Affair of Page beſide his fee in s^d^ Bill the Sum of four Pounds old Tenor. for his good Service in s^d^ Affair. And Deſired Oliver Livermore to wait on s^d^ Trowbridge wth s^d^ Maſon to satisfy him.
As the Selectmen Deſired Enſ^n^. Daniel Whitney to Board the Preſent

[36] Preſent Schoolmaſter, who under took to Board s^d^ Schoolmaſter but w^ld^. not Agree upon what Terms till He had the Trial of Him. Deſired Mr Jonas Bond Mr Jona^n^ Bemis & Docter Convers to Wait on Mr Whitney to know what his Terms are. and make Report to ye Selectmen.

The Meeting houſe Glaſs wanting Mending Agre'd that Mr Ebenez^r^ Bradiſh be Deſired to mend Said Glaſs as soon as may be.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of Oliver Livermors on the 10th. Day of Novemb^r^. 1748. In order to Conſider what proper Steps to take relating to Saml Coollidge who is Reduced to such poor Circumbſtances as requires Some Speedy care to be taken for him both for Support and Clothing to prevent his Suffering. Agre'd to procure forth with for s^d^ Coollidge at the Cost of ye Town vizt. a good Warm Coat a Shurt a p^r^ of Stockens a p^r^ of Shoos and a Hat, and to be paid for out of the Town Treaſurey, Deſired Joseph Maſon and Oliver Livermore to procure the Same. Agre'd that the Selectmen will take proper care to procure a place to board s^d^ Coollidge at, Agreed that Mr John Coollidge at whoſe houſe the s^d^ Samuel is at preſent, be reaſonably rewarded by the Town for his boarding of him till the Selectmen have Oppertunity to Seek a place for him.
At a meeting of ye Selectmen at Docter Josiah Convers's on the Eighth Day of Decemb^r^. 1748. The Selectmen being informed that their are Sundry Perſons come to reſide in Watertown vizt Patrick Hoburn and Ann his wife, John Hoburn, John Stoal and Ruth Simſon otherwiſe Margret Wes otherwiſe Margret Bently who came all from Boston in ye County of Suffolk as ye Selectmen are Informed they all Reſide in in the Dwelling Houſe of Frances Brindly Esqr wch is in s^d^ Watertown. alſo Sarah Chadwick and her Daughter Submitt Chadwick the Said Sarah Came Laſt from Newton & ye s^d^ Submit Laſt from Cambridge and some time in Sepr Laſt. alſo James Wyer & his Wife and two Children who came from Dracket to Watertown in Octob^r^ Laſt theſe Perſons Reſide in the Dwelling Houſe of Thaddeus Ward wch is in Watertown taken in by him as by Notification under his

hand, the Selectmen refusing to Accept of ye Above Named perſons to be Inhabitants in s^{d} Watertown, Ordred the Clerk to Isue out Warrants to warn the aboves^{d} Perſons to Depart forth with out of Watertown.

The Selectmen having procured Some Clothing for Saml Coollidge und^{r}. His Diſtreſsed Circumſtances wch will in a few Days be ready for him, but as yet they have not found a place for him, He the s^{d} Saml being at this preſent with his Brother Nathl. Coollidge. Agre'd that the s^{d} Nathl. be reaſonably Satiſfyed for his Boarding him, untill further order

The Town at y^{r} Meeting in March Laſt having paſed a Vote that Such perſons as Shall Send their Children or Servants to School s^{ld} provide wood for the fire in the School, but no perſon's perticulerly

Appointed

[37] Appointed to take the care to se that wood be procured. Therefore that the School might not Stop for want of wood, And the Selectmen Apprehending that Eight Shillings old Tenor P^{r} head for Schollers is Little Enough for the procuring of wood for the s^{d} School, Agre'd that Mr Jona^{n} Sewel our preſent Schoolmaſter be Deſired to take a Liſt of the Schollers wch Com's to the School, and Aquaint their Parents and Maſters that the Selectmen deſire them to Send to Said Schoolmaſter 8/P head for their Children and Servants which they Send to School, and that the s^{d} Schoolmaſter keep an Acc^{t}. who pay. And that what is received by him, He deliver to ye Selectmen who will provide wood there with for s^{d} School. (Warrants were Isued out to warn the above Named perſons to Depart &c & Returns Made & Caution Entred at Decr Court. (all but Jno Hoburn)

Decemb^{r}. 16: 1748. The Selectmen Delivred to Saml Coollidge the things they had procured for him vizt. A Coat a Shurt a hat a p^{r} of Stockens & a p^{r} of Shoo's wch came to £17=13=.. with the Making. and after a Diſcourſe wth S^{d} Coollidge urging him &c to git in to Some way of buſineſs. the Selectmen (who had ingage pay for his board till further order) now told him & his Brother Nathl. that they w^{ld} ingage but for one week longer.

At a meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Jona^{n} Bemis on the 26 of Decr. 1748. The Selectmen Agre'd to meet on the Second Munday of January Next at the Houſe of Rih^{d}. Cuttings of Waltham Inhold^{r}. at one of the Clock after Noon, In order to Adjuſt the Charge of ye Great Bridge, with the Selectmen of Weſton and Waltham which has Arriſsen for Repairs Since the Laſt Adjuſtm^{t}. Deſired the Clerk to Send Notifications to the Selectmen of s^{d} Towns to Deſire them to Meet them at time & place on s^{d} Affair.

(Notifications were accordingly Sent to y^{e} Selectmen of s^{d} Towns)

At this Meting Mr Nathl Harrington Surveyer & Collecter for High Ways met with the Selectmen and made up Acc^{t}. of his work in S^{d} Ways. His Lift Ammounted to the Sum of £39=17=.8 New Tenor. which he has worked out Agreeable to the Vote of y^{e} Town. all but Joseph Stearns & Isaac Holdins Rates. one of which is not Capable of work & y^{e} other gone out of the Province.

January 9th: 1748. The Selectmen of Watertown Weſton & Waltham Met at Rich^{d}. Cuttings in s^{d} Waltham by Appointment. and Adjuſted & Proportioned the Charges of Repairing the Great Bridge which has Arriſen Since the Laſt Adjuſtm^{t} wch was in Novr. 1746. As Recorded in Liber (2) Page (54) in the Treaſurey.

which was Charged to Acc^{t}. of S^{d} Towns Page 52	Then Due from Weſton to Watertown — — — —	£5—.7—10
48	& from Waltham to Watertown — — — —	37—13—.3

[38] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Jonas Bonds Esqr. on the Twentyeth Day of Feb^{y}: AD 1748. Ordred the Clerk to Isue out warrants Directed to the Conſtables of Watertown to Warn the freehold^{rs} and other Inhab^{ts}. of S^{d} Town who are Qualified to Vote in Town Affairs to Meet at the Publick Meeting houſe in s^{d} Town on Munday the Sixth Day of March Next at Nine of ye Clock in the Morning for the Ends following vizt.

(1) To Chooſe a Moderator. (2) To chooſe Selectmen to Manage the Prudential Affairs of ye Town for ye Enſuing Year. To Chooſe a Town Clerk a Treaſurer a Conſtable or Conſtables Aſseſsors and all Such other Town Officers as are by Law to be choſen in the month of March. (3) To Chooſe a Saxton and Agree how he shall be paid. (4) To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurey (5) To know the mind of ye Town whether Swine Shall Run at Large the Enſuing Year under the Regulations of ye Law in that Reſpect. (6) To hear the Town Treaſurers Acc^{ts}. (7) For the Town to Manifest their mind How the Intreſt Money Coming to the Town this preſent Year (the Year beginning the 11th of December Laſt) Shall be Appropriated (8) For the Town to Grant a Sutable Salary for ye Revd Mr Storer for the Enſuing Year the Year beginning the firſt of March Next and Agree how it Shall be paid. (9) To grant money for the Support of ye School or other wiſe Agree how it Shall be Supported. (10) To grant money for the Support of the Poor for ye Enſuing Year. (11) To hear the Acc^{ts} of thoſe Perſons that the Town is Indebted to, and to Grant Money to Satisfy them (12) To Grant money for the Repairing of the Meeting houſe, and for the Town to Come into Some Methods for the better

Securing of the Glafs of s^d^ Houfe, if y^a^ Se meet. (13) To Grant money for the Repairing of ye Great Bridge over Charls River in Watertown. (14) To Know the mind of the Town whether the High Ways and Town Ways Shall be mended the Enfuing Year by Rate, and if the Town comes into this Method, then to make a Grant for S^d^ Affair, and for the Town to State Day Labour both for men and Teems, and that Perfons may work out their Refpective Rates at wch they are set (If they Se meet) at the price the Town Agrees upon, and to Choofe the Surveyers of High Ways to be Collectors of s^d^ Rate, or to se that it be work't out within the Year in ye way & Manner the Town Agrees on. (15) To hear the Report of ye Com^tee^. Chofen to Agree with Perfons w^t^ they S^ld^. give for Land Lying to the Ways &c. what they have done in S^d^ Affair, and for the Town to Act thereon. (16) (A Number of the Inhab^ts^. of ye Town & freeholders having Petitioned the Selectmen that the following Article might be Encerted in the Warrants for March Meeting vizt) To know whether it is the mind of ye Town that their Meeting houfe be Seated, According to the Report made by their Committe Laft Chofen to seat s^d^ Meeting houfe, and that the Inhab^ts^. of the Town do Accordingly take their Refpective Seats which are perticulerly set forth & Mentioned in s^d^ Report. (17) To know ye Mind of ye Town what way or Methods they will take to recover their Land fenced in by m^r^ John Kimbal Adjoining to ye Land formerly Uriah Clarks, and whereas ye s^d^ Kimbal has heitherto Neglected, and still refueses to pay for the Land (thô often asked) that the Town Granted him (Near his houfe) on Condition of his paying for the Same as Reported by the Towns Com^tee^. to know what Steps the Town will Take with Relation thereunto.

And to ord^r^ ye Conftables to notify thofe perfons the Town is Indebted to to bring in their Acc^ts^ to ye Selectmen on ye 3d Day of March next at ye Wid^w^. Learneds at 3 clock after Noon. Alfo to Notify ye surveyers of Highways &c to to meet ye s^d^ Selectmen at s^d^ Meeting to make up y^r^ Acc^t^. as Collectors.

[39] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houfe of ye Wid^w^. Mary Learneds on Fryday the 3d Day of March AD 1748. for the Reciving thofe Perfons Acc^ts^ y^t^ the Town is Indebted to, &c. The Sundry Perfons Acc^ts^. as follow's vizt.

thefe two Acc^t^. has been Adjufted with y^e^ Towns	Benjn. Haftings for work at y^e^ Great Bridge 6 days ½ at 28/ P^r^	£.9=.2=..
	David Livermore for Speeks for S^d^ Bridge	.3=.4=..
John Coollidge for boarding his Brother Saml 4 weeks & 2 days at 40/		8—10—..

& three weeks before he went to Anapeles at 20/P	3— ..—..	
		11=10=..
Joseph Whitney for Serving Conſtable 20/ for warning 2 Meetings 6/ Carring 2 Pſons 24		2=10..
Jon^n^. Bemis for Timber for a Smal Whelm 20/ for a lock for School 25/6	2=.5=.6	
for a load of wood for the Wid^w^. Stearns	.3— ..— ..	
For work at the Miniſteral Land abo^t^ fencing	10— ..—..	
For half a Day work at y^e^ Great Bridge	..—.8—..	
		15=13=..6
To Joseph Mason for work at the Miniſteral place	£.6— .. —..	
for Caſh paid to y^e^ Clerk for buy Law 5/ half Day at y^e^ Bridge 8/	..—13=..	
for Service as Aſseſsor £5 for a Report 2/	.5— .2—..	
for Service as Clerk & Treaſ^r^	20— .. —..	
		31=15= ..
To Daniel Whitney for work at the Miniſteral place	.7— .. —..	
for Plank and Timber for 2 whelms	.3=15—..	
for Boarding the Schoolmaſter 33 weeks at 60/ P	99= .. —..	
for four Load of wood for y^e^ School Master	.9— .5—..	
		£119=00=..
To And^w^. White for work at the Miniſteral place		..3= .. — ..
To Joseph Harrington for work at y^e^ Miniſteral Land		..3— .. —..
To Benjn. Haſtings for Nails & Mending y^e^ School-houſe		..1= .8=.6
To W^m^. William Godding for Serving Constable & Warning 2 Meetings		..1—.6 — ..
Henry Spring for boarding y^e^ Wid^w^. Maddocks 6 weeks at 16/ P	.4—16—..	
for a plank for a whelm	..—10—..	
		..5=.6—..
Daniel Bond for Bording Nurſing & Child bed Linin for Mary Prieſt at her Lying in at y^e^ Selectmens Requeſt vizt. one half of his Acct. &c	17=.5 —.6	
and for Timber for a whelm	..—12—..	
		.17=17=.6
Edward Harrington for a Load of Wood for y^e^ Wid^w^. Stearns		..3= .. = ..

Wm. Coollidge for Timbr. and Plank for Smelt brook Bridge	..5=.3=.8
Saml Fiske for Timber for a Whelm in Whitneys Lane	.1—.5—..
John Whitney for 2 planks for whelms	.1—.3—..
Joſiah Stearns for Irons for ye Bell & hanging	..=.5—..
Thomas Saltmarſh for Serving as aſseſsor	.5—..—..
Nathl Harrington for Serving as Aſseſsor	.5=..—..
Oliver Livermore for half Day work at ye Bridge	..—.8—..
Nathl. Coollidge for 3 Weeks ½ boarding his Brother Saml.	.7—..—..
Saml Barnard for Timber and Plank for a whelm	.1—10—..
Samuel Stratton for Plank Speeks & Stones for whelms	.2—15—..
	£257=.2=.2

[40] At a General Town Meeting of ye freeholdrs. & other Inhabts. of Watertown Qualified to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Warned and Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting houſe in sd Town on the Sixth Day of March AD. 1748/9 for the Choice of Town Officers & other Affairs set forth in ye Warrant

Voted and choſe Jonas Bond Esqr Moderator

Voted and Chose for Selectmen
- Jonas Bond Esqr
- Joseph Mason Esqr
- Mr Oliver Livermore
- Mr Ebenezer Thatcher
- Mr Isaac Sanderſon

Voted and Choſe for Town Clerk Joseph Mason Esqr.

Voted and Choſe for Town Treaſurer Joseph Mason Esqr.

Voted to Chooſe Two Conſtables for this Year.

Voted and Choſe Nathl Harrington Constable. And ye Town by Vote Releaſed him.

Voted and Chose Wm. Coollidge to be a Constable. And the Town by Vote Releaſed him again.

Voted and Chose Nathl. Stone Constable. who Accepted.

Voted and Chose Samuel Cook Constable. Upon his plea ye Town by Vote releaſed him.

Voted and Choſe Jonathan Child Constable. (he was not preſent)

Voted and Chose for Aſseſsors
- Joseph Mason Esqr
- Mr Nathl Bright
- Mr Thomas Saltmarſh

Voted and Chose Seth Hastings Sealer of Leather

Voted and Chose for fence Viewers
- Samuel Cook
- John Whitney

Voted and Chose for Surveyers of Highways
- Richard Clark
- Jonas Coollidge

Voted and Choſe for Tythingmen { Benjamin Hastings / Israel Mead }

Voted and Choſe for Hogrieves { Josiah Stouel / Eliſha Coollidge }

Voted and Choſe for Survey^{rs} & Meaſu^{rs} of Timber &c { Ebenezer Thornton / Jonas Coollidge }

Voted and Chose for Hawards { Samuel Prentice / Seth Hastings }

Voted and Chose for Gager of Cask W^{m}. Gamage

Voted and Chose for Deerrieves { Thos Saltmarſh / David Livermore }

Voted and Choſe for Saxton Henry Spring Tartus

Voted to pay the Saxton by Two Contrabutions as Uſual

The Votes were bro^{t} in for a County Treaſ^{er}. & Deliv^{d} to a Constable

Voted

[41] Voted that Swine Run at Large under y^{e} Regulations of y^{e} Law in y^{t} Reſpect.

Then Treaſurer Laid His Acc^{ts}. Before the Town And the Sum Total of the Debt Amounted to — — — — £917=17=.9

Total of y^{e} Credit — — — — £660=10= .6

In the Conſtables Hands — — 256=12= .4

In the Treaſurey (10/ a Counterfit) ...—14=11

917=17.=.9

The foot of y^{e} Acc^{t} of Intreſt Rec^{d} Since Laſt Meeting in March 210=.3 =.9

The foot of y^{e} Acc^{t} of Intreſt money paid away by ord^{r}. — — — — — — — — 210=.3 =.6

The Vote was put whether the Town do Accept and Alow the Treaſurers Acc^{ts}. and the Vote past in the Affirmative

The Treaſurer Crav'd Alowance for y^{e} Ten Shilling bill y^{t} is a Counterfit

Voted alowance of s^{d} Counterfit Bill to y^{e} Treaſurer.

Voted and Granted four Hundred Pounds old Tenor for the Rev^{d} m^{r} Storers Salary for this preſent Year begining ye firſt of y^{s} Inſtant March

Voted that Three hundred Pounds of Mr Storers Salary be Aſseſsed and One Hundred thereof be paid out of the Intereſt money.

Voted and Granted the Sum of Three hundred Pounds old Tenor for the Suport of ye Gramer School y^{s} Year, One hundred Pounds thereof to be paid out of ye Intreſt Money the other Two hundred Pounds to be Aſseſsed.

Voted and Granted y^{e} Sum of Eighty Pounds old Tener for the Support of y^{e} Poor this Year.

Then The List of the Acc^{ts}. of thoſe Perſons wch. the Town is indebted to was Laid before the Town and Read the whole amounting to the Sum of £257=.2=.2. Voted & Alowed y^{e}

Same. Voted that one hundred pounds of s^d^ Acc^t^. be paid out of y^e^ Grant made for y^e^ School Laſt March to ward paying the Pſent SchoolMaſters Board. and that the Remainder thereof be Aſseſsed. to Satisfy the Remaining Debts.
Voted and Granted to y^e^ Select men viz Joseph Mason Jonas Bond Oliver Livermore & Jona^n^ Bemis 20/ P Day old Tenor for their time in procicuting the Affair of Jona^n^ Page againſt Framingham Amounting to the Sum of Eighteen Pounds vizt

To Joseph Mason — — — — — — — —	£7—..—..
To Oliver Livermore — — — — — — — —	5—..—..
To Jonas Bond — — — — — — — — — —	3—..—..
To Jona^n^ Bemis — — — — — — — — —	3—..—..

Voted and Granted the Sum of Thirty Pounds for ye Reparing ye Meeting houſe
Voted and Granted the Sum of Thirty Pounds for Repairing ye Great Bridge.
Voted to Repair the High Ways and Town ways by Rate this Year.
Voted and Granted ye Sum of £300 Pounds to Repair the s^d^ Ways.
Voted that the price of Labour be as Stated the Laſt Year.
Voted and Choſe Rich^d^. Clark & Jonas Coollidge the preſent Surveyers of ye High ways to be Collectors, to Collect s^d^ Sum or Se that it be worked out within the Year at the priſes y^t^ ye Town has Agre'd on

Then

[42] Then the Committes Report was Red to the Town, And the Vote was put Whether it is the Mind of ye Town to Accept of ye Committes Report and that the Land Mentioned in s^d^ Report be and is hereby Granted and Confirmed to Saml Cook mentioned in s^d^ Report his heirs & Aſigns upon his paying in to the Town Treaſurey the Sum of Six pounds old Tenor agreeable to s^d^ Report. and that ye Report be Recorded. And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.
Put to Vote whether it is the mind of ye Town that their Meeting houſe be Seated According to the Report made by y^r^ Committee Laſt Choſen to Seat S^d^ Meeting houſe and that the Inhab^ts^. of the Town do accordingly take in their Reſpective Seats which are perticulerly Set forth and mentioned in s^d^ Report. And the Vote paſt on the Negative.
At the Motion of John Kimbul
Voted and Continued the 17th Article (Relating to ye Affair of s^d^ Mr John Kimbul) to Next May Meeting. that he might have oppertunity to Accommodate s^d^ Affair with the Committee &c.

It being uncertain whether one of ye Constables Choſen w^ld^ Accept (he not being preſent) therefor upon Motion made the

Meeting was Adjourned unto Munday the 20th. of this Inſtat march to this Meeting houſe at one of the Clock After noon.

The Report of the Commtee Abovementioned

The Committee Chosen to Agree with Perſons what they sld give for Land Lying to the Ways &c. and Make Report to ye Town for their Confirmation

Report as follow's.

That on the Ninteenth Day of October 1748, They Agreed with Samuel Cook that he move out his front fence Againſt the Country Road, Northward Even wth Thomas Saltmarſh's fence on his North Line againſt Said Road, which is one Rod in Wydth, and to Run from the Corner of Sd Saltmarſhs Land on a Straight Line So as to Enterſect the Said Cooks fence Again at the End of Thirty Rods from Sd Corner, the Land taken in and Encloſed hereby is abot fifteen. And the Sd Cook is to pay in to the Town Treaſurey therefor (for the Uſe of ye Town) the Sum of Six Pounds Old Tenor when The Town Shall Grant & Confirm the Sd fifteen Rods of Land to him his heirs and Aſsigns.

Watertown Octobr. 19th: 1748. — Joseph Mason, Jonas Bond, Ebenezer Stone, Jonan Brown — Commtee.

[43] At a meeting of the Selectmen at the Widow Mary Learneds on the Tenth Day of March AD. 1748. The following Perſons were Sworn to the Discharge of their Reſpective Offices to wch they were Choſen on the Seventh of March Currant vizt.

Joseph Mason Esqr. to ye Office of { Town Clerk / Town Treaſurer / Aſseſsor } — P Justice Harris

Nathl. Stone to the office of A Constable
Nathl. Bright, Thos. Saltmarſh } to ye Office of Aſseſsor
Seth Haſting to ye Office of Sealer of Leaſ.
Saml Cook, John Whitney } to ye Office of fence viewer
Richd Clark, Jonas Coollidge } to ye Office of Surveyrs of Highways
Israel Mead to ye Office of a Tythingman
Josiah Stowel, Eliſha Coollidge } to ye Office of Hogrieve
Ebenzr Thornton, Jonas Coollidge } to ye Office of Surveyr & meaſr of Timbr &c
Seth Haſtings to ye office of Haward
Thos Saltmarſh to ye Office of Deerrieve
Richd Clark, Jonas Collidge } to ye office of Collector

— P Joseph Mason Jus. peace

The Town of Watertown being Served with a Copy of ye Petition of the Old Precinct in Cambridge by order of General Court, Relating to Sundry p^{r}ſons and ye Estates they Improve or live upon belonging to Watertown to be Set of to Cambridge as more fully Set forth in s^{d} Copy. At ye Aboves^{d} Meeting Ordred the Clerk to Iſue out Warrints Directed to ye Conſtables of s^{d} Town to warn the freehold^{rs}. and oth^{r} Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs to Meet at the Publick Meeting houſe in s^{d} Town on Munday the 20th of March Currant at two of the Clock After noon to hear the Copy of s^{d} Petition and for the Town to Do and Act on s^{d} Affair as they shall se meet or think proper.

The Meeting houſe Glaſs wanting mending Deſired Mr Thatcher one of ye Selectmen to Speak to m^{r} Ebenezer Bradiſh to mend S^{d} Glaſs as soon as may be. Deſired S^{d} Thatcher to procure three hundred of Nails to Nail the pains of Glaſs at s^{d} Meeting houſe.

[44] At a Meeting of the freehold^{rs} and other Inhab^{ts} of Watertown on the 20.th Day of March AD. 1748/9 by Adjournm^{t}. Jonathan Child who was Chosen a Constable at Last Meeting. At this Meeting Appeared and Made his pleas why he S^{ld} not Serve and Deſired the favour of the Town to releaſe him. And the Town by a Vote Releaſed S^{d} Child

Voted and Chose David Learned Constable. And ye Town by Vote Dismiſsed him

Voted and Choſe Seth Hastings for Second Constable. And ye Town by a Vote releaſed s^{d} Haſtings

Voted and Choſe Henry Spring jun^{r} Constable, ye S^{d} Spring having been Choſe before and gave his Note to ye Town Treaſ^{r}. The Town by Vote Diſmiſsed s^{d} Spring.

Voted and Choſe Samuel Nutting for Second Constable, upon his pleas the Town Voted and Dismiſsed Said Nutting.

Voted and Chose James Dix for Second Constable, who Accepted and was Sworn.

Upon a Motion made and Seconded, The Vote was put whether it is the mind of the Town to Reconſider their Vote made at Laſt meeting Relating to the Grant of four hundred pounds for ye Revd Mr Storers Salary for ye Preſent Year. and ye Vote paſt in ye Affirmative. Then the Vote was put

Whether it is the mind of the Town to Grant the Sum of five hundred pounds old Tenor for ye Revd Mr Seth Storers Salary for this preſent Year, And the Vote paſt in ye Affirmative

Voted to Chooſe a Committee to Treet with a Gentleman to keep the Grammer & Engliſh School in the Town for this P^{r}ſent Year

Voted and Choſe the preſent Selectmen to be s^{d} Committee

Voted that thoſe Parents & Maſters who send their Children

and Servants to the School Shall procure fire wood for ye School
Voted and Granted ye Sum of five pounds fifteen Shillings to pay for a Gun the Selectmen bought for Saml Coollidge to Cary to the Eaftward with him.
Voted and Granted 3/ to Joseph Whitney for warning a Town Meeting
Voted that the Grant made to Henry Spring Laft meeting for ye keeping ye Wid^w. Maddocks Six weeks be made up Twenty Shillings P week.

[45] At a Genral Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhab^ts. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Afsembled on the 20th Day of March AD 1748/9.
Voted and Chose Jonas Bond Esqr. Moderator
The Copy of the Petition of the firft Parifh in Cambridge, which the Town was Served with by order of ye General Court (wherein they pray that Several of the Inhab^ts. of watertown with the Estates they Dwel on S^ld. be Anexed to s^d Parifh) to Shew reafons to s^d Court why the prayer of s^d Petition Should not be granted, was Laid before the Town and Red, and After Debate thereon
The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Choofe a Committee or Agents, to Shew (in behalf of Watertown) Reafons why the prayer of s^d Petition Relating to s^d Watertown Should not be Granted. And the Vote past in the Affirmative
Voted and Chofe Mr John Hunt Docter Jofiah Converfe & Mr Jonathan Bemis to be a Comm^tee. or Agents for the Ends Abovesaid.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houfe of Jonas Bond Esqr. on the Twenty firft Day of March AD. 1748.
At S^d Meeting the Surveyrs Agre'd and Set the Surveyers of High Way's their Refpective Diftricts. vizt. Mr Richd Clark Survey^r. His District to be as follow's Viz^t. All the High Ways & Town Ways Eaft of the Town Way that Leads from ye Country Road by Justice Harris Two Acres (so called) and so by the Meeting houfe to Cambridge Line by Thos Wellingtons, and that part of s^d Lane from Cambridge Line afores^d up to the Meeting houfe.
And Jonas Coollidge Surveyer of High Ways His District to be as follow's Viz^t. All the High Way's and Town Way's Weft of the Town Way Leading from ye Country Road so by the Meeting houfe and So to Cambridge Line by Thos Wellingtons alfo thofe Way South of ye River and that part of ye Town way from ye Country to the Meeting houfe.
Agreed with Mr John Coollidge (P his wife) to board the Wid^w. Webb for one Year Next from the 25th. of this Inftant at 25/ P^r week old Tenor Exclucive of Extraordinary Charges, and

if any Such happen thrô Sickneſs or Indiſpoſition of Body to be reaſonably Conſidred, and if thrô the run of things wth. Reſpect to proviſions if they S^{ld} Riſe beyond preſent Expectation to what y^{a} now are the Selectmen promiſe that caſe shall be Conſidred alſo.

[46] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of Joseph Mason Esqr on the Third Day of April 1749. The Gramer School being Vacant. the Selectmen Agre'd To offer Mr Jona^{n} Sewel the Late Schoolmaſter the Sum of £250£ Old Tenor P ye Year & He to board himſelf. And if Mr Sewel Se meet to take up to keep the School in Watertown for a Quarter or more after that Rate then He to be Imployed. Appointed Joseph Maſon Esqr. Meſs^{rs}. Oliver Livermore & Eben^{r} Thather to Treat wth Mr Jona^{n} Sewal on the premiſses and to Make Report.
April the 6th. 1749. The Com^{tee} Treated wth m^{r} Jona^{n} Sewal abo^{t} keeping the Gramer & Engliſh School in Watertown. And after offer being made to Mr Sewel He undertook to keep the School in Watertown for one Quarter after the Rate of £250 P year old Tenor & He to board himſelf and the Quarter to begin the 13th Day of this Inſtant April.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at Mr Oliver Livermores on the 4th. Day of May 1749. The Selectmen having Rec^{d} a Precipt Requiring them to Aſsemble y^{r} Town in ord^{r} to Elect a Perſon to Repreſent Them in a General Court appointed to be held at Boston on ye 31st of this Inſtant May.

Ordred the Clark to Isue out Warrants Directed to ye Conſtables to Warn the freehold^{rs}. and Other Inhab^{ts}. Quallifyed &c. to Meet at the Publick Meeting houſe in s^{d} Town on Munday the 15th. of May Inſtant at Two of the Clock after Noon then and there to Elect a Sutable Perſon to Repreſent them at ye Court aboves^{d}.

Likewiſe to Order the Conſtables to Notifie & warn the freehold^{rs}. & other Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs to meet at the Publick Meeting houſe on Munday the 15th Day of May Inſtant at Three of the Clock after noon for ye ends following vizt.

1. Whereas Several Perſons who are Nonreſidents are Aſseſt for famlty (?) to ye Tax in Watertown for ye great Timber Trade which they carry on in the Town who Refuse to pay the Collectors chooſing to Stand a Trial in the Law wth. Relation to s^{d} Affair. To know the mind of ye Town with Relation thereunto. And to Do And Act what they shall se meet and proper Relating to ye same Affair.

2. To hear ye Requeſt of Amos Bond Late Conſtable for ye Sinking of W^{m}. Vaſsells Rates in his Lifts for Reaſons wch may be given and for ye Town to Act y^{r} pleaſure there upon

3. To know the Mind of ye Town whether they will Revive the Town buy Law Relating to horſes as it now Stands only with the Addition of Aſsertaining the Diſpoſition of the forfiture.

Warrants were Isued out Accordingly

Att^t^. J Maſon Clerk /

[47] At a General Town Meeting of ye freehold^rs^. and other Inhab^ts^. of Watertown Quallifyed to Vote in ye Choice of a Repreſentative, Regulerly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting houſe in s^d^ Town on the fifteenth Day of May 1749 for the Election of a Sutable Perſon to Repreſent the Town of Watertown at the Great and General Court Appointed to be conven'd and held at the Court houſe in Boston on the 31 Day of May Currant.

The Meeting was Opned, the Major part of ye Selectmen preſent, The Vote for the Choice of a Repreſentative was Called for, And after the Votes Were brot in Sorted and Counted it Appeared That Jonas Bond Esqr was Choſen to Repreſent the Town at ye Court aboves^d^ by the Major part of the voters Preſent.

At a General Town Meeting of the freehold^rs^. and other Inhab^ts^. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Aſsembled on the 15 Day of May 1749. At the Publick Meeting houſe in s^d^ Town.

Voted and Chose Joseph Mason Esqr Moderator for s^d^ Meeting.

The Seventeenth Article in the Warant for ye Warning of Laſt March Meeting relating to John Kimbal, at S^d^ Kimbals Motion was y^n^ Continued to May Meeting for his Accommodating s^d^ Affair with the Com^tee^ formerly Choſen to Agree with Perſon's for Land Lying to the ways &c. At this Meeting the s^d^ Comm^tee^. Made Report to the Town Relating to what y^ee^ had done in s^d^ Affair, which Report was Red to the Town, And the Vote there upon was Put Whether it is the mind of ye Town to Accept of s^d^ Report and that the Lands Contained & mentioned in s^d^ Report Relating to John Kimbal be granted and Confirmed to the s^d^ John Kimbal his heirs and Aſsigns on the Condition mentioned in the S^d^ Reporte, and alſo that a Small piece of Land mentioned in s^d^ Report be granted and Confirmed to Jonas Bond Esqr his heirs & Aſsigns upon the Condition mentioned in s^d^ Report, And that the s^d^ Report of the Com^tee^ be Accordingly Record in the Town Records. and ye Vote paſt in ye Affirmative

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Then the firſt Article in the Warrant for this Meeting was Red relating to Some Perticler Perſons who are Nonreſidents there being Rated in Watertown for the Timber Trade in s^d^ Town, was Red to the Town and After Debate thereon. The Vote was Put whether it is the mind of the Town to Chooſe a

Com^{tee}. to Take Advice in S^{d} Affair of Councel knowing in the Law, and that if the Committee upon Advice Shall find y^{t} y^{r} is Sufficiant foundation for the Town to proceed in s^{d} Affair, That then the Conſtable proceed According to the Advice of s^{d} Com^{tee}. and that the Town will indempnify the Conſtables He proceeding According to the s^{d} Comm^{tees}. Advice. & ye Vote paſt in the Affirmative

Voted and Choſe Joseph Mason Esqr Mr John Hunt & Jonas Bond Esqr to be s^{d} Committee.

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Sink W^{m}. Vaſsells Rates in Conſtable Amos Bonds Lists. And the Vote Paſt on ye Negative

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[48] Then the Vote was put, whether it is the mind of the Town to revive the Town by Law Relating to horſses. Viz^{t}. That no Perſon or Perſons Shall Suffer his or their horſes or horſe kind above the Age of six months to Run at Larg with in the Limmits of Watertown without their being well fettred from the 15th Day of May Currant to the Laſt Day of October Next under the penalty or forfiture of 2/6 for evry one that Shall be found without being So fettred. One Moiety of s^{d} forfiture to be to the Haward or field driver, and the other Moiety for the Uſe of the poor of ye Town And the Vote past in the Affirmative.

Voted that Joseph Mason Esqr Lay this By Law before the Honble ye Court of General Seſsions of ye peace for this County A for their Confirmation

The Comm^{tees}. Report.

The Comm^{tee}. Choſen to Agree with Perſons what they s^{ld} give for Land Lying to ye Way's &c. Report what they have further done in Said Affair More Especially wth Reſpect to the Land fenced in adjoining to the Land formerly Clarks which was Mentioned in an Article in the Warrant for warning Laſt March Meeting and Continued to this May Meeting vizt the Said Comm^{tee} have Agreed with John Kimbal that he Shall have the Land already taken in (belonging to the Town) Adjoining to his Land (formerly Uriah Clarks) Containing abo^{t}. half An Acrer as the Wall fence Now Stands Only Extending the South line to the Weſtward So far as on a Straight or parrelell line with the wall as it now Stands as to Enterſext his fence which will make the South line forty Rods in length the Said half Acrer is Bounded Easterly by a Town Way Southeaſterly with Town Land Southerly with a Town Way, Elſewhere on s^{d} Kimbal's own Land, He the s^{d} John Kimbal to pay into the Town Treaſury for s^{d} Land the Sum of Twenty Pounds old Tenor for the Uſe of Watertown upon the Town's Granting and Confirming s^{d} half

Acrer (be it more or lefs) to him ye s^d John Kimbal his heirs & Afsigns All which is Submitted

P Joseph Mason
Jonas Bond
Ebenez^r Stone
Jona^n Brown } Comm^tee

And further on the Day abovesd
The S^d Com^tee Agreed that Jonas Bond Esq. move out his fence into the Town way (leading by ye Pound) oppifite to ye Watering place So far as to make a more Uniform line or frunt, Runing upon a Streight line from the moft Wefterly bend of his wall (Near to the Small piece granted him before by ye Town) so as to Enterfect Saml Fisks Wall fence againft his Pikle South of his Barn which line will in clofe ab^t. five Rods of ground. And He the s^d Bond to pay therefor in to the Town Treafury for the ufe of ye Town the Sum of Twenty Shillings old Tenor upon the Towns Granting & Confirming ye s^d five Rods of Ground to him his heirs and Afsigns. which is humbly Submitted

P Joseph Mafon
Ebenez^r Stone
Jona^n Brown } Comm^tee

Watertown May 9th. 1749.

[49] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown on the 3^d Day of July 1749. At David Coollidges to Confider of ye Lift of Pfons Licenced in s^d Town the Laft Year. &c
The Selectmen having Confidered S^d List Did not Approve of Thomas Saltmarfh having his Licence Renewed
The Selectmen Approve of Mary Learned & David Coollidge having their Licences Renewed for the Year Enfuing. And Mr John Hunt Renewing his Licence. as for Nathl Harris Esqr under his Circumftances the Selectmen dont Approve of having his Licence Renewed.

July 17. 1749. At a meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Meeting houfe, Mr Jona^n. Sewells time for keeping the School being Near Expiring, Agreed that Mr Sewel be Treated wth to keep the School till the firft Munday in March Next if he will keep it after the Rate of £ 250 Pr Year old Tenor and board himfelf. Defired Mefs^rs. Ebenezer Thatcher & Isaac Sanderfon two of ye Selectmen to Treat wth. Mr Sewel in behalf of ye Selectmen Relating to ye p^rmifes And make Report /

Upon Viewing the Meeting houfe and finding that it wanted very much to be Repaired Especally to Secure the Steaple. Agre'd to meet at s^d Meeting houfe Again on Tuefday the 25th Inftant at 7 of ye Clock in the Morning And that Mr Benjn Haftings & Mr Samuel Stratton be Defired to meet with the Selectmen at

the Same place & time to View & See what is Needfull to be done. And that m^{r} John Savin be Defired to mend ye under pining of s^{d} Meeting houfe.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Meeting houfe on the 25 of July 1749. Upon further View of ye Meeting houfe Mr Benjn. Haftings and m^{r} Saml Stratton being prefent we find that the Platform above the Bell is Very Rotton both Bords & Shingles, It was Judged by the Workmen that plank w^{ld} be better for s^{d} Platform than Double boarding and so Cork the joints and Cover it with Shingles Agreed with mr. Haftings & Stratton to procure what Plank and other Metarels that is Necefsary and to Do the work of Repairing the Meeting houfe who under took to do the Same, And to Do it the beginning of Sepr next or before, and to Draw money out of ye Treafurey for the purchafeing Metarels. Mr Jon^{n}. Sewal our prefent Schoolmafter Mett the Selectmen and and Engaged to keep ye Grammer & Englifh School in the Town untill the firft Munday of March Next After the Rate of 280 £ P Year and to board himfelf. And the Selectmen Engage upon his faithfull keeping the s^{d} School that H^{e} s^{ld} be Rewarded therefor by ye Town after the Rate of Two hundred & Eighty pounds P year as before s^{d} He paying for his own Boarding. —

[50] At a meeting of ye Selectmen at m^{r} Ebenezer Thatchers on the 10th Day of Novr. 1749. The Wid^{w}. Grover and ye Wid^{w}. Stearns under their Necefsitous Circumftances made their Application to ye Selectmen for some reliefe with Refpect to wood Agre'd to procure One Load of Wood for ye s^{d} Wid^{w}. Grover. and Two Loads of Wood for ye s^{d} Wid^{w}. Starnes as Soon as may be at the Towns Charge.

Whereas the Vote of ye Town Relating to ye School is, That thofe Parents and Mafters who Send their Children & Ser^{ts}. to School S^{ld}. Provide firewood for s^{d} School. The Selectmen judge 8/ old Tenor P Scholler is Little Enough to provid Wood for s^{d} School, And Accordingly Agre'd that ye Schoolmafter be Defired to Send to Such Parents and Mafters y^{t} Send y^{r} Children & Ser^{ts} to School to send 8/ Pr Scholler in order to procure wood for ye School. And that the Schoolmafter be Defired to Send to thofe who are Dilenquent ye Laft Year to Send their Coto as others have Done to pay ye Selectmen they having Advanced the money.

Agre'd and Ordred the Clerk to Isue out a Warrant to Warn John Conred Huffinz and his Wif Catrine and four Children vizt. John Eliz^{h}. Cat^{n}. & Mary. (which was don accordingly)

The Wid^{w}. Webb who is maintained P ye Towns wanting Some Clothing to keep her warm and Comfortable ye Approaching Winter Agre'd That M^{rs}. Coollidge (with whom she lives) be

Defired to procure Such thing as is Necefsary for ye End aboves^{d}. and bring her Acc^{t} in order to be paid.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at Mr Isaac Sanderfons on the 23^{d}. Day of November 1749.

The Selectmen having had freqent Complaints from divers Gentl^{n}. of Cambridge as well as from ye Selectmen of s^{d} Town of ye Deplorable Cafe that Saml Coollidge is in at this prefent for want of evry thing as to Clothing, and in a Suffering Condition, And likely to Suffer in Several Refpects if Speedy Care be not taken for him. As he belongs to Watertown the Selectmen Account themfelves in Duty bound to take Some care for him and provide Such Clothing for him as may prevent his Suffering and so of his becoming a greater Charge to ye Town. Agre'd to procure for him a Coat Jacket a p^{r} Briches two Shirts a pr of Stockins & a p^{r} of Shoos he being Deftitute of evry thing of Clothing fit to cover his Nackednefs. Agre'd that m^{r} Oliver Livermore & m^{r} Eben^{r} Thatcher take the Care to procure the things aboves^{d}. In the firft place to Inquire whether they can procure w^{t} may be Sutable at ye Second hand; If not such Cloth as is Sutable for Coat and Jacket to keep him warm and Leather briches what triming &c as is Necefsary and to do it as soon as may bee. The Selectmen Confidering the Many Complaints that have been made to them what a Trouble

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[51] the S^{d} Coollidge is where he comes and the Dainger they are in by Reafon of his Lying in their Barns for fear of fire or other Mifchief. the Selectmen Apprehending that it will be beft for ye s^{d} Coollidge and for the Town that He be in Some family where he may be taken care of & keept from Rambling ab^{t}. and So kept from diftroying w^{t} is got for him.

Accordingly the Selectmen Appointed to meet at David Coollidges on fryday the 1st of Decemb^{r}. Next at four clock after Noon, in order to Confider where to git a place and agre'd to give Publick Notice that if any perfon is inclined to take him that they meet ye Selectmen at ye time and place afores^{d}.

Dec^{d}. 1. 1749. The Selectmen meet at David Coollidges according to Appointm^{t}. But no Perfon Appeared to treat with them Relating to Saml Coollidge.

The Selectmen being Informed by ye Wid^{w}. Becks that She had taken in a woman (a Stranger) out of pity and Compafsion who was Sick at her houfe, the Selectmen went to see how the matter was, and found a poor miserable woman there who if she had not been taken in by ye s^{d} wid^{w}. had bin in danger of perifhing. The Selectmen Incouraged ye wid^{w}. to take proper care for her, and as ye Selectmen were Informed that she had some money and other things they advifed the Wid^{w}. to See & git her pay from her for y^{e} Trouble she was at. ——

At a meeting of y^e^ Selectmen at David Coollidges on y^e^ 18th. of Decr. 1749 The Selectmen Rec^d^ the Clothes procured for Saml Coollidge, Acc^t^ of wch is as follow's vizt.

Cloth for a Coat Jacket & Triming cloth for 2 shirts & a p^r^ of stockins	£19=.2—.6
A pair of Leather Briches ready made	.3=.. —..
Making the Coat and Jacket	.5—.. —..
Making 2 shirts with thread & buttons	.1—.. —..
Old Tenor	£28=.2=.6

Two Perſons Appeared at this meeting who offered to take Said Saml Coollidge but their Loweſt terms being 55/ P week, the Selectmen could not Conſent to give it.
The Wid^w^. Mary Maddocks being deſtitute of houſe or home for this winter Seaſon (People not careing to take her in to set her to work as in warm wether) She being at preſent at Chriſtopher Grants, the S^d^ Grant being willing to Entertain her for her work if She did Enough to pay for her board, and if not to be Alow'd by the Town what s^ld^ be wanting. He ye s^d^ Grant prudently keeping her to work or finding work for her till further Order. He keeping a fair and true Acc^t^ of Her Earnings, and to Lay the Same before the Selectmen, And If her Work or Earnings do not amount to Reaſonable boarding to be alow'd by the Town what is Reaſonable over and above her Earnings. ——

[52] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of Jonas Bond Esqr. on the Eighth Day of Jany. 1749. Upon a Meſsage Sent to the Selectmen from one of ye Grand jury of the County That the Town of Watertown was in Danger of A Preſentm^t^. on Acc^t^ of Saml Coollidge his Runing ab^t^ & being Miſcheivs &c The Selectmen Agre'd to inform the Grand jury of ye Circumſtances of ye s^d^ Coollidge and what the Selectmen had Done in behalf of ye Town for him, and, and what further Steps they have Agre'd to that he might be taken care of that so he might not make Such Diſturbance as he has done. That so the Town might not be preſented Agre'd further to Inquire of Such Gentl^n^. of Charlſtown as are prop^r^ to See whether s^d^ Coollidge may be got into their Work houſe upon Equiable Terms. and If they fail there then to Make One Addreſs more to ye Overſeeres of ye Poor in Boſton to Se If he could upon Reaſonable Terms be got into their work Houſe for Some short time at Leſt till his caſe c^ld^. be Laid before the Town.

At a meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown at the Houſe of Joseph Maſon Esqr on Feb^y^: 14. 1749. At Said Meeting the Selectmen Ordred the Clerk to Isue out Warrants Directed to the

Conſtables of s^d^ Town, To Warn the freehold^rs^. and other Inhab^t^. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs, To Aſsemble & meet together on Munday the fifth Day of March Next at Nine of ye Clock In the Morning for the Ends following vizt. (1) To Chooſe a Moderator for s^d^ Meeting (2) To know the mind of ye Town what Sum Perſons shall pay, who are Choſen Conſtables and Refuſe to Serve. (3) To Chooſe Selectmen, A Town Clerk, a Town Treaſurer a Conſtable or Conſtables, Aſseſsors, and all Such other Town Officers as by Law are to be Choſen in the Month of March Annually. (4) To Chooſe a Saxton and Agree how he Shall be Satisfied for his Service (5) To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer. (6) To know the mind of ye Town whether Swine Shall Run at Large under the Regulation in the Law, (7) To hear the Town Treaſurers Acc^t^. And to paſs thereon. (8) For the Town to manifest their Mind how the Intreſt money Coming to the Town this Year (the year beginning the Eleventh of Decr Laſt) shall be Appropriated. (9) To Grant the Rev^d^ m^r^ Seth Storer his Salary for the Year Enſuing, the Year beginning the firſt of March Next. (10) To Grant money for the Support of ye School or other wiſe Agree how it Shall be Supported (11) To Grant money for the Support of the poor ye Enſuing Year. (12) To hear the Acc^ts^. of thoſe p^r^ſons to whom the Town is Indebted to, and to Grant Money to Satisfy them. (13) To Grant money for the Repairing of the Meeting houſe Glaſs &c. (14) To grant Money for the Repairing of ye Great Bridge over Charles River in Watertown if they Se meet. (15) To know the mind of ye Town whether they will mend the High ways and Town ways By Rate the Enſuing Year as has been practicd Some years paſt, And if the Town See Meet to Come into this Method, Then to make a Grant of money for said Affair, And for ye Town to State Day Labour both for men and Teems, And that Perſons May Work out their Reſpective Rates at wch. they are set (if they see meet) at the Price that the Town Agrees upon, and to chooſe the Surveyer of

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[53] The High ways to be Collectors of Said Rate, or to See that it be worked out within the Year in the way and manner the Town Agrees on. (16) To hear the Pleas of Some of the Late Conſtables for Abatm^t^. of Some Perticuler Perſons Rates in their Lists, And for the Town to Act their pleaſure thereon. (17) For the Town to Manifest their mind, what they will have done with Samuel Coollidge, and done for him, under his Preſent Difficult Circomſtances so as to prevent Extroord^y^. Charge being bro^t^ upon the Town by Preſentment or other wiſe on Acc^t^ of s^d^ Coollidge. (18) To know the Mind of ye Town Whether they are willing to joine wth Two, Three or More of the Neighbour

Towns (If s^d^ Neighbour Towns are willing) To Errect a work houſe in Some Convenant place, wherein Idle Perſons may be Imployed, and other poor Perſons (who may be judged proper) be taken care off; And if the Town are willing herefor; Then for the Town to do any thing or things or paſs Any Act or Acts Relating to s^d^ Affair as they Shall judge proper for the promoting thereof. (19) To know the mind of the Town whether they will Chooſe and Impower a Com:^tee^ or their Repreſentative to joine with Comm^tees^. or the Repreſentatives of Weſton and Waltham to Petition the Great & General Court in behalf of Watertown, Weſton & Waltham for a Grant of Some of the unapropriated Lands belonging to ye Province, To Enable ye s^d^. Three Towns the better to Defray the great Charge they are Annually at in Maintaining the Great Bridge over Charles River in Watertown. (20) for the Town to have a Liſt of Jurymen, with a new Addition thereto, Laid before them and for the Town to Accept thereof If y^a^ See meet, And for ye Town to make An Addition to the Superiour Box. (21) To know the mind of ye Town whether they will Chooſe and Appoint a man to take care of ye fence abo^t^ ye Buring place to keep up s^d^ Fence to prevent Creatures Gitting in perticulerly Swine gitting in and Rooting down the tops of ye Graves, and to take up the Young Trees that are growing up in s^d^ Buring place which in time may Discomode the Same, and whether He y^t^ is Appointed and takes the Care aboves^d^. Shall have for s^d^ Service, what graſs be got therein by Mowing; and not to feed any therein. (22) To hear the Requeſt of Mr Saml. Jeniſon for Some Releaf Reſpecting his Siſter Suſanna Murch & for the Town to Act their pleaſure with Relation thereto.

And Direct the Conſtables to Notify Such Perſons which the Town are Indebted to to bring in their Acc^ts^. to the Selectmen at the Houſe of ye Wid^w^. Mary Learned Inhold^r^. on fryday the Second Day of March Next at three of the Clock afternoon in order to have them Laid before the Town, And alſo to Notify the Surveyers who are Collectors to meet at the same time & place in order to make up their Acc^ts^. with the Selectmen. (Warrants were Iſued out Accordingly).

At s^d^ Meeting Ordred the Clerk to Isue out a Warrant to warn out of Town v one Lyda Murch (the Daughter of W^m^. & Suſanna Murch) who Came from Cambridge Abo^t^ the Middle of August Laſt paſt, who Reſides with her mother in the Dwelling houſe of Stephen Palmer which is in Watertown

(A warrant was Isued out Accordingly & Delivered to Conſtable N. Stone)

The Clerk was Deſired to Write to ye Selectmen of Weſton to Procure Seven hundred of good Plank for the Great Bridge in Watertown, as soon as may be and to Send word whether they can or no. (A Letter was Sent Dated ye 15th of this Inſtant.)

Agreed to procure a Load of wood for the Widow Grover under her prefent Necefsitous Circumftances.

[54] At a meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Widow Learneds on ye 2^d^ Day of March AD 1749. for ye Taking in of ye Acc^ts^. of thofe Perfons to whom the Town is Indebted the Acc^t^. Taken in are as follow's vizt.

Thos Saltmarfh As an Afsefsor for half a Day Copying Laft Years List of y^e^ Province Rate for y^e^ Court	.. 10—..	
For Help taking New Invoice in May 4 Days	4″ .. ″..	
For help taking and Perfecting Invoice making the Province County Town & Highway Rates this Year	5″ .. ″..	
		£.9=10=..
Nathl. Harrington for help Coppying Laft Year Rate		..=10=..
Nathl. Bright Afsefsor for Help taking Invoice in May	3—..—..	
for help taking perfecting an Invoice Making the Province County Town & Highway Rates this Year	5—..—..	
& for 200 Shingles for y^e^ Meeting houfe	1—.6—..	
		.9= .6=..
Joseph Mason Esqr. for help Copy Laft Years Provinece Rate one Day	£.1— .. —..	
Help taking New Invoice for a New Valuation 3 Days	.3— .. —..	
for help Taking a Invoice & Perfect it Making the Province Tax County Rate Town & High way Rates	.5— .. —..	
for Cafh to get y^e^ Town By Law ab^t^. Horfes Confirmed	..— .6—..	
For a Q^r^ of board Nails ½ Hundred Double Tens & 200 of Shingles for ye Meeting Houfe	1″ 15″ .6	
for his Service as Clerk & Treaf^r^. y^e^ Year 1749	20″ .. ″..	
		31″ .1′ .6
Saml Stratton for fetching up the Stuff from Boston for y^e^ Meting houfe	.2″ 10″ ..	
For Ten days & ½ of Work at y^e^ Meeting houfe 26/P & one Day at s^d^ Houfe 20/	14″ 13″ ..	
For a Bier for the Town	.3″ .. ″..	
		20=.3=..

Ebenezer Thatcher for Wire & Nails for y^e Meeting houſe	..″19=..	
for a Load of Wood for y^e Wid^w. Grover	.3″..=..	
		.3″19=..
David Livermore for Sundry Dogs & Speeks for y^e Bridg	.2=13=..	
for a look and Nails for y^e School Houſe	..—.5—..	
		.2=18—..
Ebenez^r Thornton & Jonas Collidge for 21 feet of Timber	.4—.4—..	
for 294 feet of plank for Treadaway Bridge and y^e Bridge near Thomas Wellingtons y^e whelms by Goddards & Amos Bonds	22—.1—..	26=.5—..
Jonas Bond Esqr for 29 feet of Board for y^e Meeting houſe		.1—..—..
Joſiah Stearns for Mending y^e Stocks and for a lock	..—12—..	
for 15/ Omitted Laſt Year his Acc^t y^n w^s 5/ New tenor & taken to be 5/ old	..—15—..	
		.1—.7—..
To y^e Wid^w. Becks & Sarah Willet for y^r Care of & Nurſing a poor Vagabon Woman taken in in Diſtreſs & falling sick at y^e widows		10=..—..
To Benjn. Haſtings for 7 Days ½ work at y^e great Bridge at 28/ P	10—10—..	
for 13 Days & ½ work at y^e Meeting houſe at 28/P	18—18—..	
for one hundred ½ of Clabboards for the Meeting Houſe	.4—10—..	
for Nails for s^d House 14/ & Turpinetine 20/	.1—14—..	
for Slit work 5/ for board 5/	..—10—..	
		36=.2=..
To Henry Spring jun^r for his Care of y^e Wid^w. Stearns in the time of her & Childs Sickneſs		.5—10—..
To Saml Coollidge for Speeks hooks & Stapels for y^e Meeting houſe		.2=16—..
To Danl Bond for Timb^r for a whelm near Joſiah Stearns		.1—..—..

Rich^d. Clark Surveyor & Collector for this Year made up his Acc^t wth Relation to thoſe Offices & by his Acc^t he had work't out his Rate all but two days work 9/ & some Nonreſidents 7/1 wch y^a y^t are behind promiſes to work out this Spring.

[55] At a General Town meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhab^ts. of Watertown Regulerly Aſsembled on the 5th Day of March 1749 for the Choice of Town Officers and other Affairs mentioned in ye Warrant

Voted and Choſe Jonas Bond Esqr. Moderator of s^{d} Meeting.
The Vote was put whether it is the mind of the Town That thoſe Perſons who are Choſen to Serve in the office of a Conſtable and Refuſe shall pay as a fine to ye Town ye Sum of five pounds Lawfull money, and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Voted and Choſe for Selectmen
- Jonas Bond Esqr
- Joseph Mason Esqr.
- Mr Joseph Harrington
- Mr Jona^{n}. Bemis
- M^{r} Ed^{w}. Harrington

Voted and choſe for Town Clerk Joseph Maſon Esqr.
Voted and Choſe for Town Treaſurer Joseph Maſon Esqr.
Voted and Choſe for firſt Conſtable W^{m}. Coollidge. who Refused to Serve in s^{d}. Office.

Voted and Choſe for Conſtables
- Henry Goding
- Samuel Cook

Voted and Choſe for Aſseſsors
- Joseph Mason Esqr.
- Dea^{n}. Saml. Fisk
- Mr Nathl. Harrington

Voted and Choſe for Sealer of Leather Seth Hastings

Voted and Choſe for fence viewers
- Simon Coollidge
- Jona^{n}. Stone ye 3^{d}

Voted and Choſe for Surveyers of High Ways
- Smith Prentice
- Daniel Bond

Voted and Choſe for Tythingmen
- Nathanael Bright
- Jonas Coollidge

Voted and Choſe for Hogrieves
- Joſhua Stratton
- Saml Warrin jun^{r}.

Voted and Choſe for Meaſurers of Timber &c.
- Ebenezer Thornton
- Jonas Coollidge

Voted and Choſe for Hawards or field Drivers
- Joſhua Stratton
- Saml. Warrin jun^{r}.

Voted and Choſe for Gager of Cask Smith Prentice

Voted and Choſe for Deerreives
- Jona^{n} Brown
- James Dix

Voted and Choſe for Sexton Samuel Stratton
Voted to pay the Sexton for his Service by Two Contributions as Uſual and they to be on the Days Appointed as on Record. which two Contrabutions the s^{d} Sexton Accepted of as w^{t} should Satisfy him for his Service in s^{d} Trust or Office.
Then were Votes bro^{t} in for a County Treaſurer & Delivred to one of the Conſtables.
Voted that Swine S^{ld}. Run at Larg this Year under the Regulations in ye Law in that Reſpect.

Then

[56] Then the Town Treaſurers Acc^{ts}. were Laid before the Town & Red. The firſt Acc^{t}. of the Treaſurey Ammounting to the Sum of 1213 ″ .4 ″ 11

The Credit Amounting to the Sum of (old Tenor) 981 ″ .9 ″ .6
Out Standing in the Constables Hands 170 ″ 3 ″ ..
In the Treafury Rec^{d} this Day 61 ″ 12 ″ .5
1213 ″ .4 ″ 11

The Second Acc^{t} Relating to the Intreft money Rec^{d}
The Intreft money Rec^{d} to this Day Amounted to ye Sum of .147 ″ 14 ″ .2
Paid out of Intreft money to sevrel Perfons P ord^{r}. .147 ″ 14 ″ .2

Both of thefe Acc^{ts} were by a Vote of ye Town Alowed and Accepted.

Voted that the Intreft money Comeing to the Town this Year be Appropriated, one hundred Pounds old Tener to the Miniftry the other hundred for ye School this Year.

Put to Vote whether it is the mind of ye Town to put of the Making of a Grant for ye Revd Mr Seth Storer's Salary untill the Next May Meeting, and to Choofe a Comm^{tee}. to inqure in the mean time in to the Contract made with m^{r} Storer at the time of His Setlm^{t}. and make Diligent inquirey w^{t} Silver was P ounce then, and w^{t} the Necefsarys of Life then Cost, and how things are at this prefent time, and into whatfoever that may give Light in said Affair to the Town and that they make Report thereof to the Town at s^{d} May Meeting, That the Town may then proceed to make a Grant for ye Revd Mr Storers Salary for ye p^{r}fent year

And the Vote Paft in the Affarmitive

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Choofe three p^{r}fons to be a Committe (for ye End aboves^{d}) and the Vote paft in the Affirmative

Voted and Chofe m^{r} Ebenezer Thatcher Jonas Bond & Joseph Mafon Esq^{rs}. to be s^{d} Committee.

Voted and Granted or Alowed for the Support of the School this year the Sum of Two hundred and fifteen Pound and the Remains of Eighty five pounds of ye Laft Years Grant for ye School (not Improved) One hundred pounds there of to be paid out of ye Intereft money, and one hundred and fifteen pounds old Tener to be Afsefsed.

Voted and Granted for the Support of the Poor the Sum Sixty Pounds and what is Coming from Waltham on Acc^{t} of ye Poor by Laft Settlm^{t} wth s^{d} Waltham

A List of Debts Due from the Town to sundry Perfons named in s^{d} List was Laid before the Town and Read Amounting to £161 ″ .7 ″ .6 old Ten^{r}

The Vote was put whethe the Town do Grant the Sum of one hundred Sixty one pounds 7/6 old Tener to Satisfy & pay s^{d} Debts.

And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative
Voted and Granted for ye Repairing of ye Meeting houſe Glaſs &c the Sum of fifteen Pounds old Tenor.
There being a Sum of Thirty five pounds coming from Waltham Relating to ye Great Bridge alſo w^t^ was Apropriated to s^d^ bridge Coming from ye Truſtees alſo ye Grant made Laſt year not yet Improved it was tho^t^. Sufficint for ye p^r^ſent
Therefore ye Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to make a Grant of Money for ye Great Bridge this p^r^ſent Year
and the Vote paſt in the Negative

The

[57] The Vote was Put whether it is the mind of ye Town to mend the High Ways & Town Ways by Rate this Year as has been for some years paſt—And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative
Voted and Granted the Sum of One hundred & fifty pounds old Tener for s^d^ Service. And the Dilinquant Surveyers to work out what is behind in their Lists this preſent Year.
Voted That the price of Labour for men and Teems, and the time for work be as it was Agreed on the Laſt Year.
Voted and Choſe Smith Prentice & Daniel Bond the Preſent Surveyers to be Collectors to Collect or to See that the Grant be faithfully worked out with in the preſent Year.
Several Conſtables made their Pleas for Abatm^ts^. in their Lists. vz^t^.
Conſtable James Dix for y^e^ Sinking of Rich^d^. Sanger's 22/6 John Noyce 13/3 Capt David Baldwin 22/6 Isaac Williams 11/3 which in old Tener is 13=10—..
Voted and Abated y^e^ Abovenamed Perſons y^r^ Rates, and Granted the Sum of 13—10—.. to Supply the Same — — — £13—10—..
The Vote was put whether the Town will Sink Joſiah Cuttings Rate in Nathl Brights List. and y^e^ Vote paſt in the Negative.
The Vote was put whether the Town will Sink W^m^. Vaſsels Rate in Amos Bonds List & y^e^ Vote paſt in the Negative.
Joseph Whitney Late Constable Pleaded Abatm^t^. of Isaac Holdin's Rate 7/6 Joſeph Stearns 8/7 Isaac Williams 25/10. David Baldwin 40/11 John Noyce 20/5 and Richd Sanger 40/11: all New Tener, in old £28=16=.8
The Vote was put whether the Town will Sink the above Named Perſons Rates in S^d^ Conſtable Whitneys Liſts amounting to 28—16—8 and Grant So much to Supply y^e^ Same. and y^e^ Vote paſt in y^e^ Affirmative
Jonas Coollidge Late Constable Pleaded for Abatm^t^ of Saml Stouel Dec^d^ his Rate in his Liſts 12/10 Joseph Stearns 15/11 Aron Crofts 8/ David McConothy 3/3 all new Tener Amounting in Old to £8—..—..
The Vote was Put whether the Town Sink ye Rates of ye aboves^d^ Perſons in Conſtable Coollidges Liſts amounting to £8

old Tener and Grant so much to Supply the Same. and Vote paſt in ye Affirmative.
Joseph Paterſon Late Conſtable pleaded Abatm^t^. of Saml Stouel Rates in Liſt 5/7 and Benjn. Bond Dec^d^ his Rate 5/3 one Boyington 10/3 Isaac Williams 6/10 all new Tenor Amounting in old to £5—11—.8
The Vote was Put whether the Town Sink the Rates of ye above named Perſons in Conſtable Paterſons List and Grant ye Sum of 5—11—8 to Suply the Same and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

Upon a Motion made & Second, The Vote was put whether the Town Do Adjourn this Meeting and the Remaining Buiſneſs thereof unto Munday the 12 day of this Inſtant march to this houſe at one Clock after noon And ye Vote paſt in the Affirmative

Accordingly the Meeting was Adjourned / /

[58] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at ye Wid^w^. Mary Learneds on the 9th of March 1749. for the Swearing Town Officers &c. The Perſons under Named were Sworn to their Reſpective Offices by Joseph Maſon Jus^t^ peace vizt.

Henry Goding } Constables
Saml Cook }

Saml Fisk } Aſseſsors
Nathl Harrington }

Jona^n^ Stone ye 3^d^ fence Viewer

Smith Prentice } Surveyers of High Ways and Collectors
Danl Bond }

Jonas Coollidge Tything man

Saml Warrin jun^r^ Hogrieve & Haward

Ebenezer Thornton } Surveyers and meaſurers of Timber &c.
Jonas Coollidge }

James Dix and Jonathan Brown Deere Rieves.
(Seth Hasting Sealer of Lea^r^. took his Oath on ye 6th. of march inſtant before Joseph Mason Justice peace)
At the Aboves^d^. Meeting the Selectmen Conſidering that Mr Jona^n^ Sewal's Time for ye keeping of the School was Expired. The Queſtion was Asked Whether they w^ld^. Imploy ye S^d^ Sewal any Longer And the Majer part of ye Selectmen were for ye Seeking of a nother School Maſter, And Appointed to meet at Jonas Bonds Esqr on Munday the 19th. Inſtant at four Clock After Noon to Conſider further abo^t^ a Schoolmaſter. As alſo for the boarding out the Wid^w^. Webb.
May 11. 1750 Joshua Stratton Was Sworn to the faithfull Discharge of ye office of a Hogrieve. before Joseph Mason Jus^ts^. peace. He refuſed to take the Oath of Haward.

May 22 1750 Joseph Mason Esqr. was Sworn to the offices of Town Clerk, Town Treaſurer, and Aſseſsor Before Thomas Greenwood Justice peace.

[59] At a General Town Meeting of the freehold^{rs}. and other Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown Regulerly Aſsembled on the 12th. Day of March AD. 1749 by Adjournment.

Voted and Abated W^{m}. Lees Rate in Conſtable Godings Liſt 12/ New Tener.

Voted and Granted to W^{m}. Goding 12/ New Tenor he having paid & made up with y^{e} Treaſ^{r}.

Voted and Granted to Joseph Harrington £8=.5—.. old Tenor for three Load of wood he Carryed to y^{e} Wid^{w}. Stearns.

Voted and Granted to Nathl Stone 29/ old Tenor for Serving Conſtable & Warning of three Town Meetings.

Voted and Granted to John Sawin 14/ old Tenor for his Mending the underpining of the Meeting Houſe.

The the Article Relating to Saml Coollidge was Read and Conſidred. And the Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town, That ye Selectmen take the beſt And prudent care of Samuel Coollidge under his Indigent Circumſtances, and for the preventing his Rambleing ab^{t}. and doing of miſchief to git him into some work houſe (if it may be) where he may be kept from Miſchief or other wiſe take care of Him. And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Then the Article Relating to Errecting of a work houſe was Read and after debate thereon.

The Vote was Put, Whether it is the Mind of the Town That in caſe two three or more of the Neighbouring Towns will joine with them, that then they will be their proportion with such Towns to wards the building a work houſe in some Convenant place where it shall be thought proper or shall be Agreed upon for the Imployment of Idle Perſons and other Needy Perſons who shall be adjudged proper to be put into s^{d} Houſe. And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of the Town to Chooſe a Committee to Inquire of the Neighbouring Towns to See who of them will come into the Affair or Scheem of the building of a work houſe, for ye Ends afores^{d}. And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Voted to Chooſe three Perſons to be a Committee for ye Ends aboves^{d}.

Voted and Choſe Capt. John Taynter, Mr John Hunt and Dea^{n}. Saml. Fisk to be a Committee for the End Abovesaid.

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of the Town that the aboves^{d} Com^{tee}. proceed to make Inquiry relating to the Building of a work houſe, and make Report thereof at the Next May meeting And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Put to Vote whether it is the mind of the Town to Chooſe a Comm^{tee} to joine with Com^{tees}. of Weſton & Waltham to Petition ye General Court for a Tract of Land ye beter to Enable them to

Support ye Repairs of ye Great Bridge in Watertown. And ye Vote paſt in ye Negative.

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Chooſe and Impower their Repreſentative to joine with the Repreſentatives of Weſton & Waltham to Petition the General Court for a Tract of the unappropriated Land belonging to the Province the better to Enable them to Support of ye Great Bridge in Watertown. and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Voted to Chooſe a Man to take care of the fence abo^t^. the Buring place.

Put to Vote whether it is ye mind of ye Town to Chooſe Saml Stratton to take ye Care of the fence ab^t^. the burying place, and as a reward therefor to have the Young trees therein, and what graſs he can git therein by Mowing. And ye Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Saml Jeniſon made his Requeſt to the Town Relating to his Siſter Suſa^n^. Murch for Some Releaf. After the matter was Conſidred

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Grant to Saml Jeniſon any thing towards paying the Rent of the Houſe that he had hired for his siſter Murch. And ye Vote paſt in the Negative /

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[60] A Liſt of Jury men was Laid before the Town for their Conſideration and Acceptance. After Conſideration the Town Voted that Ebenezer Thornton John Bright & Henry Learned Should be taken out, All the Reſt with the Addition of Thirteen New ones were by a Vote Accepted of by the Town Amounting to 82 Perſons. Sixteen of which being in the Superiour Box, the Town Voted four more to be added to s^d^ Box, vizt. Saml Thatcher Ed^w^. Harrington Nathl. Harrington & Saml Fisk.—(the List is on file)

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen a^t^ ye Houſs of Jonas Bond Esqr. on the 19th. Day of March AD. 1749. There being a Neceſsitie that Some Plank be procured for the Great Bridge. Agreed that Mr Edwd Harrington one of the Selectmen, take Speedy care to See where Plank may be had and procure Seven hundred feet Sutable for s^d^ Bridge.

The Pound wanting Some thing to be done to it for the Strengthening of ye same, Agreed that there be procured Two Sutable Chisnut pools big enough to be Split to brce therewith evry Corner of ye Pound upon the Cap's And that Mr Saml Stratton be Deſired to under take procuring s^d^ pools and to do the work.

It was Agreed among the Selectmen y^t^. m^r^. William Jeniſon be treeted with, to See whether He will undertake to keep the Grammer and Engliſh School in the Town for one Quarter of a Year.

Jonas Bond Esqr. & Meſs^{rs}. Jona^{n}. Bemis & Ed^{w}. Harrington were Deſired to treet with m^{r} Jeniſon wth. Relation to ye School, to See whether He will under take to keep the Same, and to know His Loweſt Terms and to make Report at the Next Meeting of ye Selectmen.

The Widow Webbs Year being Near Expired. The Selectmen Agreed wth m^{r} John Coolidge (P his Wife) to board the S^{d} Wid^{w}. Webb, for a Nother Year the Year beginning the Twenty fifth of this Inſtant March and to look well after her under her poor and Weak Circumſtances, And to have as a Reward therefor from the Town the Sum of Eighty five pounds old Tenor. And to be Allowed beſide for Extraordinary Charge thrô Sickneſs or otherwiſe (if any be). to which M^{rs}. Coollidge Concented. (thô very hardly)

The Selectmen Appointed to meet again at Joseph Masons Esqr. on Wedinſday the Twenty Eight Inſtant at five of ye Clock afternoon

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of Joseph Masons on the 28th. Day of March 1750 This being the Year for Preambulation &c The Selectmen Appointed Meſs^{rs}. Ebenezer Thatcher and Edwd. Harrington to Preambulate on the lines between Watertown and the Adjacent Towns, and with such Perſons as ye Selectmen of ye Adjacent Towns Shall Appoint to Renew the Marks on s^{d}. Lines, and they are Directed to Meet with Such Perſons as ye Selectmen of Cambridge shall

Appoint

[61] Appoint at the Line between Watertown and Cambridge Near Edward Marritts on Wedenſday the 25 of April Next at Eight of ye Clock in ye fore noon And with Such Perſons as ye Selectmen of Waltham Shall Appoint at one of of the Clock after noon on ye s^{d} Day at the Line between Watertown & Waltham at Cambridge Line. and with Such Perſons as ye Selectmen of Newton shall appoint at four of ye Clock after noon on ye same Day, at the Line between Watertown and Newton Near Mr Daniel Cooks and after they have done their Work to Make Return of y^{r} Doings to the Town Cler under their hands.

Ordred the Clerk to Send Notifications to ye Selectmen of ye Adjacent Towns to Acquaint them of ye Day Appointed for Preambulation and the p^{r}ſons who are Appointed by ye Selectmen of Watertown that So ye Selectmen of the Adjacent Towns may Conform thereunto. (which was done P ye Cler)

At this Meeting the Selectmen wch were Appointed to Treat with M^{r} W^{m}. Jeniſon Relating to the Keeping of ye School in Watertown made their Report. Viz^{t}. That they had Agreeable to Appointment Waighted on m^{r} Jeniſon and treeted with him Ab^{t}. the School and that m^{r} Jeniſon was willing to keep s^{d} School, and that He w^{ld}. keep it After the Rate of Two hundred

and fifty Pounds P Year. and board himſelf, wch was his Loweſt Terms. Whereupon the Selectmen Agreed that m^r^ W^m^. Jeniſon Keep the Grammer & Engliſh School in Watertown for the Space of one Quarter of of a Year, And to have as a Reward there for from ye Town after the Rate of Two hundred & fifty Pounds P Year old Tenor. He to board himſelf, and to begin the School (if Life and health permit) on the Ninth day of April Next.

The Seats at ye School houſe being Some what out of order Agreed that Mr Saml Stratton be Deſired to do what is Neceſsary (Relating to them) for the preſent, as alſo to fix up the Stocks.

At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of Mr Jonathan Bemiſ on the 16th Day of April 1750. M^r^ W^m^. Jeniſon who ye Selectmen had Agreed with to keep the School, being Removed by Death. The School thereby being at preſent Vacant:

The Selectmen Since the Death of Mr Jeniſon have Made Application to a Gentl^n^. in order to have the School Supplyed with a Maſter and to know his Terms, but s^d^ Gentl^ns^. Terms were so high that the Selectmen could not Comply with. The s^d^ Selectmen being Informed by M^r^ Joſiah Stearns that there was a probibality that Young m^r^ Cuſhing of Shruſbury might be gained. whereupon the Selectmen Agreed to Deſire Mr Stearns to Write to s^d^ M^r^ Cuſhing to know whether He is at Liberty and to Deſire his Speedy Anſwer. and s^d^ Stearns to Inform the Selectmen / /

[62] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at Joseph Harringtons on the Ninth Day of May AD. 1750. The Selectmen having Received a Precipt Requiring them to Aſsemble the Inhab^ts^. of ye Town in Ord^r^ for the Choice of a Repreſentative, To Repreſent them at a Great and Genl Court Appointed to be Conven'd and held at ye Court houſe in Boston on Wedneſday the 30th. of May Inſtant.

Ordred the Clerk to Isue out Warrants Directed to ye Constables of Watertown to Warn the freeholders and other Inhab^ts^. of Watertown Quallifyed to Vote in the Choice of A Repreſentative to Meet at ye Publick Meeting Houſe in S^d^ Town on Munday the Twenty firſt Day of May Currant at Two of ye Clock Afternoon then and there to Elect & Depute a Sutable Perſon to Repreſent them at the Court Abovesaid

Likewiſe to Order the Constables to Warn the Freeholders and other Inhab^ts^. of Watertown, who are Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs to meet at the Publick Meeting Houſe in s^d^ Town on Munday the Twenty firſt Day of May Currant at three of ye Clock After Noon for the Ends following vizt.

1. To Chooſe a Moderator for Said Meeting.

Whereas the Granting a Salary for ye Rev^d^. Mr Seth Storer being put over from Laſt March Meeting to May Meeting and a Comm^tee^: being Choſe to Inquire into the Contract made with the Rev^d^ m^r^ Storer at Settlm^t^: and as to the prises of Silver &

Proviſions Then and how they have been Since &c. and to make Reporte. Therefore

2. To Hear the Report of s^d^ Committee, And to Grant m^r^ Storer a Salary for this Preſent Year, the Year begining the firſt Day of March Laſt past

3. To hear the Report of the Comm^tee^. who were choſen & Appointed Laſt March Meeting to inquire of ye Neighbouring Towns Relating to the Errecting of a Work Houſe. And for the Town to make a Grant of money for the carrying on of Said Affair, if they Shall See meet and further to Do any thing or Things paſs any Vote or Votes with Relation to s^d^. Affair of a Work Houſe, as they Shall think or Judge proper and for the Benefit of ye Town.

4. To know the Mind of ye Town whether they will Discontinue that Town Way which is Between the Lands of m^r^ John Kimbal and Mr Jon^n^ Stone jun^r^. and Diſpoſe of ye Same for the Uſe of ye Town.

5. To know the Mind of the Town whether they will Build a Wharff at the Landing place by the River at the place Called Sam^lls^. Key for the Uſe of the Town &c. Or give Liberty to such Perſons as may Appear to Errect a Wharff at s^d^ place upon such Conditions as the Town may Agree upon. And alſo to Chooſe a Committee to Settle the Line Between the Town Land there and ye Land of Cornelious Waldo Esqr Adjoining.

At this Meeting the Selectmen Deſired Meſsu^rs^. Jon^n^. Bemis & Edwd Harrington, to Cart some Gravil on to the Coſsays of ye Great Bridge y^r^ being a want Thereof.

The Selectmen Agreed that Deacon Saml Fisk the preſent Sealer of Waites & Meaſures be Deſired to Carry what waites & Meaſures &c that Wants to be New tryed, to the Province Standard, and git them Tryed and to be Satisfyed by ye Town for his Trouble and Cost. —— ——

[63] Watertown April 25th: 1750. We the Subſcribers According to Appointm^t^. Meet this Day with Gentlmen of Cambridge Waltham and Newton, and Renewed the marks on the Lines between our Town and the Towns aboves^d^.

To ye Selectmen } Ebenezer Thatcher
of Watertown } Edwd. Harrington

At a General Town Meeting of ye Freeholders and other Inhab^ts^ of Watertown Regulerly Aſsembled and met at the Publick Meeting Houſe in s^d^ Town on the 21st. Day of May AD. 1750. for the Choice of a Repreſentative, To Repreſent the Town at a General Aſsembly Appointed to be Convened held and keept at the Court Houſe in Boston on the 30th. of this Inſtant may.— the Selectmen being all preſent.

Upon a Motion made and Seconded, a Previous Vote was put

Viz^{t}. Whether it is the mind of the Town that the Perſon who shall have the Major part of the Votes Shall be Esteemed the perſon Choſen to Repreſent the Town Provided the said Perſon will Serve the Town Greatis; but if He shall Refuſe to Serve the Town Gratis, then to be Eſteemed Not Choſen, And the Town to proceed to the Choice of a Nother upon the Same head aboves^{d}. And the Vote paſt on ye Negative.

The Votes were then called for, And after the Votes were brot in Sorted and Counted it Appeared that Jonas Bond Esqr. was Choſen by the Major part of ye Voters then preſent.

At a General Town Meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown Quallifyed to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Aſsembled and Met at ye Publick Meeting Houſe in s^{d} Town on the 21 Day of May AD. 1750. At three of ye Clock Afternoon, for the Receiving Reportes of Several Com^{tees}: Granting a Salary for ye Rev^{d}. Mr Seth Storer and other Buiſneſs &c.—

1. Voted and Choſe Jonas Bond Esqr Moderator for s^{d} Meeting.

The Committy Chosen Laſt March Meeting to Inquire into the Contract made wth ye Revd Mr Storer at His Settlm^{t}, and what Silver was P ounce then, and what the Neceſsarys of Life then Cost and how the Neceſsarys of Life are at this preſent time &c. Made their Report (Said Report is on file) after the Report was Red, and Debated

2. The Vote was Put whether it is the Mind of ye Town to Grant as a Salary for the Revd Mr Storer for the preſent Year begining ye first of March Laſt, the Sum of Sixty Six Pound thirteen ſhillings and four pence Lawfull Money.—And the Vote paſt on the Negative.—

3ly.

[64] 3^{ly}. The Vote was Put whether it is the Mind of ye Town to Grant the Sum of Sixty four Pounds Lawfull Money as a Salary for ye Revd Mr Storer for this preſent Year. And ye Vote paſt on ye Negative.

Upon a Motion Made and Seconded, to put ye firſt Sum to Vote again

4^{ly}. The Vote was put again Whether it is the Mind of the Town to Grant the Sume of Sixty Six Pounds 13/4 Lawfull money to be for ye Revd Mr Storers Salary for this preſent Year. and ye Vote paſt on ye Negative.

5. Then the Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Grant Sixty Pounds Lawfull Silver money for ye Revd Mr Storers Salary for the preſent Year the Year begining the firſt Day of March Laſt past. And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Then ye Committe Choſen with Relation to ye Work houſe propoſed &c Reported to ye Town That the Towns of Newton and Waltham had Come into the Scheem of Errecting a Work houſe in Some Convenant place and had Choſen Committes to

joine with Committees of other Towns to Conſult in s^d^ Affair, but that ye Selectmen of Cambridge had given out y^r^ Warrants for May Meeting before Information Came to them Concerning a Work houſe, So that ye Mind of Cambridge is Not Yet known. Whereupon the Vote was put

6^ly^. Whether it is the Mind of ye Town further to Impower y^r^ Committee (Choſen with Relation to ye Work houſe) to Meet with the Committee of Newton the Committee of Cambridge (if Said Cambridge comes into the Scheem) and the Committee of Waltham in Order further to Conſult abo^t^ Said Worke houſe, And Conſider where the Proper place is for Errecting the Same (So as to Sute the Towns that comes into s^d^ Scheem) And whether Land is to be purchaſed and at what Rate, And to Conſult as to ye Dimentions of ye Said Houſe, and where abo^t^ the Cost may be. And to make Report to the Town at their Next Town Meeting, of their proceedings in s^d^ Affair,

And ye Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

7^ly^ The Vote was put whether it is the mind of the Town to Build a Wharff at ye River at a place called Samuells Key for ye Uſe of ye Town

And ye Vote paſt on ye Negative—

8 The Vote was put whether it is ye Mind of ye Town to Chooſe a Committee to Settle the Boundary Line between the Town Way and ye Land of Cornelious Waldo Adjoining at s^d^ Key A Vote paſt in ye Affirmative

9 Voted to Chooſe three perſons to be A Committee to Settle s^d^ Line

10 Voted and Choſe for s^d^ Committee to Settle ye Line aboves^d^. L^t^. Nathl. Coollidge Mr John Hunt, and Joseph Mason Esqr.

[65] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of Mr Edwd. Harringtons on the 25th. Day of May AD. 1750.

The Selectmen Appointed the Surveyers of High Ways their Diſtricts for Repairing the s^d^ High Ways & Town Ways, wch are as follow's.

Viz^t^. Smith Prentice Surveyer, His Diſtrict to be all the High Ways and Town Ways Eaſt of the Town Way, Leading from the Country Road and So along by the Meeting Houſe down to Cambridge Line Near Thomas Wellingtons, and the South part of s^d^ Lane from the Meeting Houſe to ye Country Road afores^d^.—

That Mr Daniel Bond Surveyer His Diſtrict to be all the High Ways and Town Ways Weſt of the Dividing Lane Leading by the Meeting houſe as alſo the High Ways on the South Side of ye River and the North Part of s^d^ Dividing Lane from the Meeting Houſe down to Cambridge Line —— ———

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown at the Houſe of Joſeph Maſon Esqr. on the 31 Day of May AD. 1750. In ord^r^. To Conſider of a Petition of sundry Inhab^ts^. of s^d^ Town Directed to ye Selectmen Requeſting of them to Call a Meeting of the Inhabi^ts^. of ye Town, To know their Minds whether they will make An Addition to ye Rev^d^ m^r^ Storers Salary for this preſent Year.

The Selectmen taking into Conſideration the Matter Petition'd for. and being Sencable of ye Uneaſineſs y^t^ there is in the Minds of Many of the Inhab^ts^. relating to the Sum Granted at ye Laſt Town Meeting for ye Rev^d^ m^r^ Storers Salary for this Year. And Concerned for the Tranquilitie of ye Town, as alſo Conſidering the Oblig^ns^. a People Injoying the Precious Gospel of Chriſt are under both in point of Duty and Intreſt to maintain and promote the Same, and Hon^erly^. to Support and Incourrage the Miniſters thereof.

Agre'd to Call the Inhab^ts^. of s^d^ Town together, that they might have the Oppertunity further to manifest their Love and Reſpect to ye Gospel by their Readineſs and Willings to make Such a further Grant to their Rev^d^ Paſtor as an Addition to ye Sum Latly Granted for His Salary as wth. that may be a Honourable Support for Him, and Incourage him Cherfully to go on in ye great work of ye Miniſtry among us. and there by further Manifeſt y^r^ Love and Reſpect to him as their Rev^d^ Paſtor. Accordingly, Ordred the Clerk to Isue out Warrants Directed to the Conſtables of s^d^ Town To warn the freehold^rs^. and other Inhab^ts^. of Watertown Quallifyed to Vote in Town Affairs to meet at ye Publick Meeting Houſe in said Town on Munday the Eleventh Day of June Next at four of ye Clock afternoon for the Ends following vizt. 1. To Chooſe A Moderator for s^d^ Meeting. 2^ly^ To know the mind of ye Town (that whereas the Sum granted at ye Laſt Town Meeting for ye Rev^d^. Mr Storers Salary for ye preſent Year is Leſs than what was Granted him the Laſt Year, which Occations uneaſineſs in ye minds of many of ye Inhab^ts^. who are heartily Deſirous that y^r^ Rev^d^ Paſtor s^ld^. be Hon^ly^. Supported agreable to the dignity of his Office as a Gospel Miniſter) Whether they will make a further Grant of a Sutable Sum of Money for ye Revd Mr Storer to be added to ye grant afores^d^ made at Laſt Town Meeting for His Salary for this preſent Year, And to be Aſseſt there with, whereby He (our Rev^d^ Paſtor) may be further Incouraged Cherfully to go on in the great work of ye Miniſtry amongſt us. —— ——

[66] At a General Town Meeting of ye freehold^rs^. and oth^r^ Inhab^ts^. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting Houſe in s^d^ Town on the Eleventh Day of June 1750. for the Ends set forth in the Warrants for Warning s^d^ Meeting ———

1. Voted and Choſe Jonas Bond Esqr Moderator, but He being Very much indiſpoſed Refuſed to Serve.

2. Voted and Choſe Doct^{r} Josiah Convers Moderator of s^{d} Meeting.— (after a Long Debate)

3^{ly}. Put to Vote whether it is the mind of ye Town to make any further Addition to ye Revd Mr Seth Storers Salary granted at Laſt May Meeting for the preſent Year.

And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

4ly. The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of ye Town to Grant the Sum of Six pounds thirteen ſhillings & 4^{d} Lawfull Money as an Addition to ye Sum Granted Laſt Meeting for the Rev^{d} m^{r} Storers Salary for this preſent Year, and to be Aſſeſt therewith, and therewith paid to ye Revd Mr Storer.

And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at Thos. Saltmarſh's on the 18th. of June 1750 ——

The Selectmen having Seen & Conſidred the Liſt of thoſe perſons Licenced in our Town Laſt Year, Make No Objection againſt Thos Saltmarſh Mary Learned & David Coollidge having their Licence Renewed this Year as Inholders. And Mr John Hunt a Retailer.

Justis Harris Informed Some of ye Selectmen that He S^{ld}. Lay Down Retailing. ———

Ordred the Clerk to Isue out a Warrant to Warn the Widow Perman to Depart out of Watertown who Came from Cambridge Some time in Novemb^{r}. Laſt. ———

A Warrant was Isued and Deliv^{d} to Conſtable H Goding who went to Do ye Service, but ye perſon to be warned out had been gon to Cambridge Some time as he was Informed

So Returned ye Warrant again ———

[67] At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of Jonas Bond Esqr. on the 23^{d} Day of July 1750.— The Selectmen having Conferred together abo^{t} the School Did agree to meet Next Munday the 30th. of July Inſtant at Six of ye Clock after noon at m^{r} Joseph Harringtons to take further care ab^{t}. the School

The Great Bridge being So far out of Repare that it is thought that the South peer muſt be New built, Accordingly Agreed to meet on Munday the Sixth Day of Auguſt Next at three of ye Clock after noon At the Houſe of the Wid^{w}. Mary Learned, and Deſired the Clerk to Send Notifications to the Selectmen of Weſton and Waltham at ye time and place of meeting Deſiring their preſence at S^{d} Meeting to Conſult w^{t} is proper to be Done wth. Relation to s^{d}. Bridge.

(Notifications were Sent accordingly P J Mason)

At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of Joseph Harrington on the 30th. of July 1750.—

The Selectmen being Informed that the Wid^{w}. Mary Mad-

docks was under poor Circumſtances; out of Buiſneſs, No home and in Dainger of Suffring. The Selectmen Agre'd y^t^ Jonas Bond & Joseph Maſon (Two of ye Selectmen) S^ld^. Inquire into the Circumſtances of s^d^ Wid^w^. and See if they Could git Her in to Some familie where She may be Imployed and taken care of So as may be for her comfort; and beſt for ye Intreſt of ye Town.

The Selectmen Notwithſtanding their Care ab^t^. gitting a Schoolmaſter (Since ye Death of m^r^ Jeniſon) have heitherto been Diſapointed. But they having had Encouragm^t^ from Mr Nathl. Hareington (who was Schoolmaſter formerly) made their Application to him; who at their Deſire was preſent at this Meeting. And the Selectmen Agre'd with Him ye s^d^ Nathl. Harrington to keep the Grammer & Engliſh School in Watertown And to begin to keep s^d^ School the Second Munday in Aug^st^. Next And to keep s^d^ School from thence to the Laſt Day of March following (Except so much time as to take care of gitting in His Indian Harveſt and the time He takes thereabot He to give Acc^t^ of And He ye s^d^ Harrington to have as a Reward from the Town for His Service After the Rate of Three hundred Pounds P year old Tenor for the time He Keeps s^d^ School, He to board himſelf, To which He ye s^d^ Nathl. Herrington Agre'd & Conſented.

[68] At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weſton & Waltham at the Wid^w^. Mary Learneds in S^d^ Watertown On the Sixth Day of August 1750. In order to Conſider what proper Method and Steps are to be taken for the Speedy Repairing of the Great Bridge in s^d^. Watertown. Upon Vewing and Searching the Southerly Peer of s^d^ Bridge, the S^d^ Selectmen find it So Defective that it is Judged Neceſsary to Rebuild Said peer and to Do it as Soon as may be, and in Stead of King Poſts and braces above the Bridge, To have a Mud Cill and Supporters under Neath as at the other Peers.

And in order thereunto Agre'd that there be a Mud cill Procured thirty Six feet in Length, and a foot Square. and two Cap pieces of Eighteen feet in Length & a foot Square of good white Oake. to bear the String pieces. It is concluded that the King Posts and Braces Now Standing above s^d^ Peer will Anſwer for Poſts or Supporters and Braces under Neath. Mr Eliſha Jones is Deſired to procure the Cap pieces as Soon as may be; And the Mud Cill alſo if m^r^ Joseph Harrington nor Mr John Dix cant procure s^d^ Cill.

Agre'd that M^r^ Ed^w^. Harrington of Watertown Mr John Walker of Weſton and M^r^ Joſiah Fisk of Waltham be a Com^tee^. to take care to agree with Workmen, and to See that the work of building s^d^ Peer be well Done. And to git the work done by the Middle of Sepr Next.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of Jonas Bond Esqr on the 20th. Day of August. 1750. Mr Saml Coollidge being bro^t^. to Watertown by Virtue of a Warrant from under the Hand & Seal of Justice Steal of Boston in the County of Suffolk, (He was firſt bro^t^ to ye Conſtable of Chareſtown and by said Conſtable conveyed to ye Conſtable of Cambridge, and by ye Conſtable of Cambridge He was conveyed to one of ye Selectmen of Watertown) the Sixteenth of Auguſt Inſtant. The Selectmen conſidering that ye s^d^ Coollidge Comes under their Care as He belongs to Watertown. And s^d^ Coollidge being und^r^ Such Circumſtances and Diſorders, that requires Speedy care to prevent His runing abo^t^. and so of His being Troubleſome and Miſchevous (of which He has been much Complained off) The Selectmen upon conſidering of his caſe and preſent Circumſtances, are of Oppinion that it will be moſt for ye Benifet of ye Town, the good of s^d^ Coollidge and the Quiet of the Publick that the Said Coollidge be Confined in Goal for the preſent (there being no work houſe or other proper publick place of Confinm^t^) till ye Selectmen can provide a Sutable place for him where he may be taken care of and that the Town of Watertown will be at the Charge of his being in Goal the time the time that He remains there, and Since He ye s^d^ Coollidge is Run away again out of Town, and is Strowling abo^t^. Vagabone Like, Agre'd by ye Selectmen that the Juſtices at Cambridge &c be Deſired to take him up if He comes there and send him to Goal, where He may be Confined,

And

[69] And to be there at Watertowns Cost untill He can be taken care of as afores^d^. And Joseph Maſon and Jonas Bond Esq^rs^. two of ye Selectmen Are deſired to go to Cambridge on this Affair to Aquaint ye Justices there.

The Selectmen being Notified by Amos Bond by Writing under his hand bearing Date ye 20th. of Aug^st^. 1750. That He had taken into his family one Hannah Roſs who came from Lexington to his Houſe the Tenth Day of November Laſt paſt her Circumſtances being low in the world &c. Ordred the Clerk to Isue out a Warrant Directed to one of ye Conſtables of Watertown forth with to warn the s^d^ Hannah Roſs to Depart out of s^d^ Watertown. (which was done Accordingly the 21st Inſtant and Committed to Conſtable Henry Goding.) Caution Entred Concord Cort.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at Mr Jona^n^. Bemises on the 15th. of Octob^r^. 1750.

The Selectmen having been & View'd the Schoolhouſe and finding that s^d^ Houſe wants Conſiderable Repairs on the out Side to make it dry and Comfortable, and Some thing to be done inſide to the Petition writing Table & benches Agreed that M^r^

Benjn. Haſtings be Deſired to procure what Stuff is wanting and to do the work of Repairing of s^{d} School houſe, and to bring in Acc^{t}. of his Work and Metearls to ye Selectmen

The Wid^{w}. Webb wanting Some Clothing to keep her warm & Comfortable Ordred that there be a Gound got for her of Homſpun worſted & wool or Cotten & wool, a Bayes Peticote a payer of Hoſe & a Hankerchief and that m^{rs}. Coollidge with whom ye s^{d} Wid^{w} lives be Deſired to get the aboves^{d} things for ye s^{d} wid^{w}. and get them Made up and bring in her Acc^{t}. thereof to ye Selectmen to be paid out of ye Treaſurey. Saml Hager having Informed the Selectmen that he had taken into his houſe on W^{m}. Lacky Wife & Child who came from Waltham Some time the Latter End of May Laſt. Ordred the Clerk to Isue out a Warrant to Warn the S^{d} W^{m}. Wife & Child to Depart out of Watertown.

The Selectmen are Informed this day by m^{r} Saml Hager that ye s^{d} Lacky had taken in one Esther Gale in to his familey who came from Waltham some time in Augst Laſt paſt her Circumſtances are poor, and She is Suppoſed to be pregnant and Near her time Ordred the Clerk to Isue out a Warrant to Warn the S^{d} Esther forthwith to Depart out of Watertown.

At this Meeting the Selectmen propoſed to m^{r} Nathl Harrington preſent Schoolmaſter, that for the Support of a fire for the School, He Should Send to Parents and Maſters that Send y^{r} Children & Ser^{t} to School to Send Six ſhillings old Tenor per head to procure wood for s^{d} fire which is Agreable to a Vote of ye Town that thoſe y^{t} Send y^{r} Children & Serv^{ts}. to School, Should find wood for the fire there. (A Warrant was Isued out to warn ye aboves^{d} Lacky &c & ye s^{d} Esther) and Return made of ye s^{d} Lacky Wife & Child being warned out ye s^{d} Esther beging gone out of Town. Caution Entred Charlſtown Cort in December)

At a meeting of ye Selectmen at ye houſe of M^{r} Ed^{w}. Harrington on ye 7th Day of Novr. 1750. At s^{d} meeting the Selectmen Agreed to Apply to A Juſtice of ye peace for a Warrant to Carry W^{m}. Lacky Wife & Child (who was Come into Watertown) out of s^{d} Watertown to Waltham where they belong & are legal Inhab^{ts}. they being leagally warned to Depart, that ye Warrant be Committed to a Conſtable as Soon as ye fourteen days are out from the time of warning there being great Dainger of Charge if not Removd

The Selectmen Conſidering the s^{d} Circumſtances of Saml Coollidge, Appointed Jonas Bond Esqr and Mr Joseph Harrington two of ye Selectmen, to Uſe their prudence & Care to See if the s^{d} Coollidge can by any Means be got into the work houſe at Boston Watertown to Reimbuſt the Charge of his keeping there what his Labour will not Anſwer, and that Col^{l}. Brattle be Deſired to Aſsiſt in gitting him in to s^{d} work houſe.

The Selectmen desired Mr Jonan Bemis & Mr Edw. Harrington to procure Some lath Nails and that they Nail the Meeting house glass where it is wanting, And that they procure a Glazer to mend sd Glass where it wants to be mended.

[70] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on the 30th. of Novbr. 1750. at ye Widw. Mary Learneds
The Town being in Dainger of being put to Cost & Charge relating to Saml Coollidge (He being become a Common disturber of ye peace) if care be not Speedely taken to prevent the Same, he having been brot. (some time since) to Watertown by Authority. The Selectmen having taken the Affair of sd Coollidge into Consideration, Did Agree with Saml Whitney to take the Care of ye sd Coollidge for the Space of one Month, and to take a prudent care of him, and keep him Confined to prevent his Rambling abt. to ye Disturbence of ye publick. and He the sd Whitney to have Reasonable Recompence from the Town for his Trouble

The Selectmen Desired Messrs. Joseph Harrington & Edw. Harrington two of the Selectmen to go on the Next Day and fetch up ye sd Coollidge (if He can be found) and cary & Deliver him to the sd Whitney that he may be taken care off.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at ye House of Jonas Bond Esqr. on the 31st Day of December AD. 1750. The Selectmen having put Saml. Coollidge to Saml. Whitneys for a month upon Tryal which was out the 29th Instant. The sd Whitney Charges 5/4 P week Lawfull money. And ye sd Whitney being Willing to keep the sd Coollidge Longer at ye Same price Pr week, The Selectmen being well Satisfyed with the sd Whitneys care & Conduct Relating to said Coollidge. Agreed that ye Said Whitney Still take care of ye Said Coollidge, and keep him till further order of the Selectmen and to have as a rewarde therefor, from the town 5/4 P week for the time that He Shall keep him. The Selectmen Agre'd that in the mean-time to take prudent care to See if they can't git ye said Coollidge into Some place and business whereby he may do Some thing to help Support himself.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of ye House of Joseph Mason Esqr on ye 24th of January 1750. The Selectmen taking in to Consideration the Circumstances of Saml Coollidge, and having been Advised to git him into the work house at Boston as a proper Expedient to recover him from his Disorderly way of Living &c. The Selectmen Agreed to make an Assay to git him into sd Work house, and Accordingly Drew up and Signed a Short Representation of his Case Directed to ye Overseers of ye poor of Boston. And a Request that ya Would Admit him into their work house. and manifested our Redeness to Sign any proper

Inſtrum^{t} to Indempnify the Town of Boston, and Engage for what his Labour w^{ld} not Suffice for his Support. the Selectmen Appointed Jonas Bond Esqr. one of ye Selectmen to wait on ye Gentlmen ye overſeers afores^{d} with the Selectmens Requeſt and to Receive their Determination thereon. and to Aquaint the Selectmen thereof at y^{r} Next Meeting.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of Mr Joseph Harington's on the 18th Day of February AD. 1750.
Ordred the Clerk to Isue out Warrints for the Warning of a Town Meeting to be on the 4th. Day of March Next at Eight of ye Clock in the fore noon for the Ends following (1) for the Choice of a Moderator (2) To Chooſe Selectmen a Town Clerk and Town Treaſurer, Conſtables Aſseſsors and all other Such Town officers as by Law are to be Choſen in the month of March Annually (3) To Chooſe A Saxton, & Agree how he shall be paid for his Service. (4) To bring in y^{r} Votes for a County Regester & Treaſurer. (5) to know the Mind of ye Town whether Swine Shall Run at large und^{r} the Regulations in ye Law.

(6)

[71] (6^{ly}) To hear the Town Treaſurers Acc^{ts}. & for ye Town to paſs upon them. (7) for the Town to Appropriate the Intreſt Money Coming to the Town this preſent Year the Year begining the Eleventh Day of Decr Laſt (8) To know the mind of ye Town whether thoſe perſons who are Indebted to ye Town upon Bond Shall renew their Reſpective Bonds and bring them into Lawfull Money and to paſs any Votes or Votes relating to s^{d}. Bonds that the Town Shall think proper and Neceſsary. (9) To Grant an Honourable Salary for ye Revd Mr Seth Storer for the Enſuing Year the Year beginning the firſt of March Next. (10) To grant Money for ye Support of ye Gramer & Engliſh School in ye Town for ye Enſuing Year. (11) To Grant money for the Support of ye poor the year Enſuing (12) To hear the Acc^{ts}. of Such Perſons to whom the Town is Indebted and to Grant Money to Satisfy them (13) To grant Money for ye Repairs of ye Meeting houſe (14) To Grant Money for the Repairs of ye Great Bridge over Charls River in Watertown (15) To know the Mind of ye Town whether they will mend the High Ways & Town Ways by Rate the Enſuing Year, and if the Town See meet to come into this Method then to make a Grant for s^{d} Affair and for the Town to state Day Labour both for men & Teems and that perſons May work out their Reſpective Rates at wch they are Set (if they see meet) at the price the Town Agrees upon, and to Chooſe the Surveyers of High ways to be Collectors of s^{d} Rate or to See that it be faithfully workt out within the Year in the way and manner the Town Agrees upon. (16) To hear the pleas of Some

of ye Late Conſtables for abatm^{t} of some perticuler Perſons Rates in their Liſts, and for the Town to Act y^{r} pleaſure y^{r} on. (17) for the Town to hear the Report of y^{r} Com^{tee}: Choſen with Relation to ye Errecting of a work houſe how far they have proceeded, and for the Town to Do any further thing and things which they shal Judge proper to be done to further Said Affair, and to make any Grant or Grants of money they Shall think Proper to be made to help carry on s^{d} Affair with the other Towns wch. are Concerned in s^{d} Affair of Errecting of a work houſe (18) To hear the Report of ye Com^{tee}. Choſen to Agree with perſons what they Shall give for Land Lying to the ways &c. what they have further done in s^{d} Affair, and for the Town to Act their pleaſurer with Relation thereto. (19) To hear the Report of a Com^{tee}. Choſen to Agree with perſons what they s^{ld} give for Common Land &c. what they have further done in s^{d} Affair, and for the Town to Act their pleaſure with Relation thereunto.
(20) To hear the Petition of David Sanger Praying the Town w^{ld}. Grant him a Priviledge of part of ye Bank or Town Land Lying between the Town Way & the River Near his Dwelling Houſe, for the Errecting of a Wharff &c. as Set forth in his Petition and for the Town to Act their pleaſure relating to S^{d}. Petition and evry part thereof and further for the Town to Conſider and do what they shall think Proper for the preſerving s^{d} Bank or Town Land Lying between the Town way & ye River at that place, and the Securing of s^{d} way from being further Damnified by haling in of Timber, and to Conſider what proper Steps to take that Some profet may Accrew to the Town by Timber being Laid there by Strangers or Perſons not belonging to the Town. (21) To know the mind of ye Town whether they will Rent out the Little Island between the Mill Crick & ye River below the Mill. and to do w^{t} is proper with Relation thereunto. (22) In as much as there Appears a Conſiderable Altreation (for the better) in Mr Saml Coollidge To know whether it is the mind of ye Town that s^{d} Coollidge Should be Improved to keep the School in the Town for trial, and if upon trial it Shal Appear to thoſe who are proper judges that the great & good end of a School is Anſwred by his keeping of ye same, that He be then Continued in the keeping of s^{d} School, but if Such good end is not Anſwred by s^{d} Coollidge keeping s^{d} School that y^{n} He be Diſmiſsed from it and that Some other Steps be taken with him, that he May be in Some buiſneſs whereby he may be gaining Some thing to Suport himſelf and that a nother Schoolmaſter be provided. (23) To know the mind of ye Town whether they will chooſe & Impower a Committee in the Name of ye Town to Aſk for the Money belonging to the Town of Watertown which for many Years has and Still Lyes in the hands of a Comm^{tee}. Choſen before the Town was Divided to Sel land Lying to ye ways &c. & to receive the Same for ye Uſe of

ye Town and upon Receipt thereof or of any part thereof to give prop^r Difcharges, and to make Report to ye Town of y^r Doings in s^d Affair at y^r Meeting in May Next, that the Town may then do w^tt they think proper with relation to s^d Affair. (24) To know the mind of ye Town whether they will make a buy Law to reftrain Horfes runing at Large in the Town without being fettred.
& to order the Conftables to Notify Such perfons as the Town is Indebted to To bring in their Acc^st. to ye Selectmen at ye Houfe of the Wid^w. Mary Learned Inhold^r. on fryday the firft of March Next at three clock after noon in ord^r. to have them Laid before the Town at the Next Town Meeting. Afo to Notify the Surveyers to bring in y^r Acc^t. of mending the High ways at s^d Time & place.

Warrants were Sent out Accordingly /

[72] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Widow Mary Learneds on the first Day of March AD 1750. For the Receiving of y^e Acc^ts. of thofe Perfons to whom the Town is Indebted to. in Order to have them Laid before the Town. The Acc^t Recived were as follow's. Viz^t.

David Bemis for a Cheft made for y^e Town 16/ and a Table 6/8		£ .1—.2=.8
Jonas Coollidge for 108 feet of Timb^r for y^e Great Bridge	£ 3—.4—9	
For halling out of y^e River &c when South Peer was repared	..—.5—4	
	.3—10—1	
And for 149 feet of plank for Smelt brook bridge & others	.1—.3—.9	
		.4=13—10
Jona^n. Trowbridge for forty feet of Timb^r. for y^e Great Bridge		.1—.4—..
David Livermore for Sundry Speeks & Dogs for y^e Great Bridge ..—8.—1 ½		
& for hooks and Hinges for y^e School houfe ..—.1—.7		..=.9=.8½
Benjn. Haftings for Sundry Metearls for y^e School houfe and Labour there	..—.9=10½	
For Looking after & Mending the Great Bridge y^e Year 1750 1—1—2		
& for 7 Days work at y^e Building of y^e South peer 3/ P Day 1—1—..		
	.2—.2—.2	
		.2=12=..½

Jona^{n}. Bemis half a Day at y^{e} Great Bridg help proping ..—.1—.4		
7 Day's work at Ditto 2/8 P	.1—.7—..	
1 Day half wth his Teem 4/8 P .1—.5—.8		
for Nails for y^{e} Meeting houſe Glaſs 1/¼ one Day y^{r} helping Nail &c	..—.3—..¼	
for a Lock for the Schoolhouſe	..—.1—.4	
		.1—11—.4¼
Henry Spring Junr. for four Days Work at y^{e} Great Bidg 3 at 2/8 one at 4/		..—12—..
The Widow Mary Learned for 51 Dinners for workmen at bulding y^{e} South peer of y^{e} Great Bridge	1—15—.4	
and for Drink for Ditto	..—18—.5	
		.2=13—.9
Nathl Harrington for help making the Town Rate High way & County Rates		..—.8— ..
Dea^{n}. Saml Fisk for helping Making Town High Way & County Rates		..—.8— ..
Joseph Maſon for 2 Reports 1/ help Making Town High way & County Rates 8/8 And for his Service y^{e} Year 1750 as Cler & Treaſurer 53/4		.3—.3— ..
W^{m}: Coollidge for one Day work at ye Great Bridge		..—.2—.8
Saml Cook for serving Conſtable & Warning 3 & Warning three Meetings		..—.3—11
Edward Harrington for the Hire of a Horſe and Chair to fetch Saml Coollidge to Town	..—1—.7	
To one Day work at the Meeting Houſe	..—2— ..	
To ab^{t} 2 feet of Timb^{r}. for y^{e} Great Bridge	..—1—.2 ½	..—.4—.9½
Daniel Bond for four Stones for a whelm		..—.2—8
Henry Godding for Serving Conſtable y^{e} Year 1750 & Warning three Meetings		..—.3—..11
Saml Stratton for Hinges & Nails to hang y^{e} Door und^{r}. y^{e} Pulpit		..—.1—.1
		£19=17=.4¾

[73] At a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown Quallifyed to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Aſsembled on y^{e} fourth Day of March AD. 1750 at y^{e} Publick Meeting houſe in s^{d} Town for the Choice of Town Officers, and for the Transacting of other Town Affairs set forth in ye Warrants &c.

Voted and Choſe Jonas Bond Esqr. Moderator for S^{d} Meeting.

Voted and Choſe for Selectmen
- Mr And^{w}. White
- Enſ^{n}. Daniel Whitney
- Dea^{n}. Saml Fisk
- L^{t}. Nathl. Coollidge
- Mr John Whitney

Voted and Choſe Joseph Mason Esqr. Town Clerk & Town Treaſ^{r}.

Voted and Choſe for Constables
- Wm Coollidge
- Jacob Caldwell

The Town Accepted of Henry Goding to be Conſtable in ye room of W^{m}. Coollidge (s^{d} Coollidge having hired him) who was Sworn P J Mason Js p^{s}.

Voted and Choſe for Aſseſsors
- Nathl. Harrington
- Nathl Bright
- Dea^{n}: Saml. Fisk

Voted and Choſe Isaac Sanderſon Sealer of Lea^{r}.

Voted and Choſe for fence Viewers
- David Livermore
- Edmund Foul

Voted & Choſe for Surveyers of High Ways
- Saml. Jeniſon
- Jona^{n}. Bemis

Voted and Choſe for Tything men
- Jonathan Brown jun^{r}
- Saml Whitney

Voted and Choſe for Hogrieves
- Eph^{m}. Warrin
- Jona^{n} Learned

Voted and Choſe for meaſu^{rs} of Timb^{r} &c
- Jonas Coollidge
- W^{m}. Coollidge

Voted and Choſe for Hawards
- Jona^{n}. Stone Turtus
- Eliſha Coollidge

Voted and Choſe Gager W^{m}. Gamage

Voted and Choſe for Deerieves
- Thos: Saltmarſh
- Saml Cooke

Voted and Choſe Saml Stratton Sexton

Voted that He ſhal be paid by two Contrabuſions as Uſual. wch. s^{d}. Stratton Accepted off. —

Voted that Swine Run at Large und^{r} ye Regulations in the Law in y^{t} Reſpect.

Upon a Motion made and Seconded. The Vote was put whether the Town will Adjourn this Meeting and ye Remaining buiſneſs thereof to munday ye Eleventh of this Inſtant March to this place at Nine of ye Clock in ye forenoone. And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative. Accordingly ye Meeting was Adjourned.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on the 8th. of March AD. 1750.

The Perſons under written were Sworn to their Reſpective Offices. (having all of them firſt taken the Oath Preſcribed in An Act made in ye Year 1748. Chap^r^. X.)
Viz^t^. Joseph Maſon Esqr. Town Cler & Town Treaſ^r^. before Justice Harris.

Nathl Harrington
Nathl. Bright } Aſseſsors
Dea^n^ Sam Fisk
Isaac Sanderſon Sealer of Lea^r^.
David Livermore
Edmund Fowl as } fence Viewers
Saml Jeniſon
Jona^n^ Bemis } Surveyers of High ways
Saml Whitney Tythingman
Jona^n^. Learned Hogrieve
Jonas Coollidge } Survey^rs^.. & Meaſ^rs^.
W^m^. Coollidge } of Timb^r^ &c
Saml Cook Deer-rieve — — — — —

The Selectmen above named took the Oath prefcribed in the Act aboves^d^. before Joseph Mafon Justice peace.

all Sworn before Joseph Maſon Justice peace

On the 11th. of March 1750 The Perſons under written wer Sworn to their Reſpective Offices. (they having firſt taken the Oath Recited in ye Act Made 1748 chap X) vizt

Jona^n^ Brown Tything man
Eph^m^. Warrin Hogrieve
Jona^n^ Stone Turtus Haward } Sworn before Joseph Maſon Justice peace.
Thos Saftmarſh Deerrieve

[74] At a General Town Meeting of y^e^ Freeholders and Other Inhab^ts^. of Watetown On the Eleventh Day of March AD. 1750 By Adjournment.

The Treaſurers Acc^ts^. were Laid Before the Town and Red.

The foot of the Deb^t^. of what y^e^ Treaſury is Charged with is £137 " 11 " .7¼ Lawfull money

What y^e^ Treaſurey has Credit
for is £77=.2=.2½
And Out Standing in
the Conſtables hands 60=.9=.4¾ } 137" 11" .7¼

The Vote was put whether the Town Alow and Accept of the Treaſur^rs^. Acc^ts^. & the Vote paſt in y^e^ Afirm^e^.

An Acc^t^. of The Intreſt money Rec^d^ was Laid before the Town & Acc^t^. of y^e^ Diſpoſition of y^e^ Same

The foot of y^e^ Acc^t^. of y^e^ Recipts Amounted to £18=.6=.4 Lawfull money

The foot of y^e^ Credit or what was paid Away Amounted to 18=.6=.4 wch makes a ballance

The Vote was put whether the Town Accept & alow of y^e^ Treaſurers Acc^t^. Reſpecting y^e^ Intreſt money Now red, and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

The Town by a Vote Appropriated the Intreſt Money Comeing

to the Town this Year vizt £ 13=.6=.8 Toward the Support of y^{e} Miniſtry And 13=.6=.8 toward the Support of y^{e} School. The 8th. Article red and Conſidred and after Debate.
The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of y^{e} Town that thoſe Perſons who are Indebted to y^{e} Town upon Bond Should Renew their Bonds and bring them into Lawfull Money. And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.
Put to Vote Whether it is the Mind of ye Town, That if thoſe Perſons who owe the Town upon Bond, do not bring in their Intreſt Due to ye 11th of Decemb^{r}. Laſt and Renew y^{r} Bonds Agreable to y^{e} Vote of y^{e} Town by the Laſt day of April Next, that then their bonds be Su'd at the Next Court And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

The Vote was put whether it be the mind of y^{e} Town To Grant to the Revd Mr Seth Storer the Sum of Sixty Six pounds 13/4 Lawfull money (including the £13=6=.8 of y^{e} Intreſt Money) for his Salary for y^{e}. preſent Year begining the firſt of this Inſtant March. And y^{e} Vote paſt in y^{e} Affirmative.
Voted for the Support of the School this preſent Year (including the Intreſt Money Appropriated) the Sum of forty pounds
Voted and Granted the Sum of Thirteen pounds 6/8 for y^{e} Support of y^{e} poor.
The Acc^{ts}. of Sundry Perſons to whom the Town is indebted, Laid before y^{e} Town and red the whole amounting to £19=17=.4¾ Lawfull money was by Vote Alowed.
Voted and Granted y^{e} Sum of Ninteen pounds Seventeen Shillings 4^{d}¾ to pay and Satisfy Said Acc^{ts}
Voted and Granted the Sum of Twenty Six ſhillings & Eight pence for the repairing y^{e} Meeting houſe
The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of y^{e} Town to mend the High Ways & Town Ways by Rate this Year. and the Vot paſt on the Negative.
Voted that the Dilinquent Surveyers who have not Yet workt out their Rates be Alow'd to work out what y^{a} are behind, this preſent Year
Voted that the Selectmen Notify the Serveyers to Acc^{t}. with them to See what is behind in y^{r} Liſts, and to Aquaint them with the Vote of ye Town
Voted that the Aſseſsors delay making the Town Aſseſm^{t} untill a New jnvoice is taken
The 16th. Article red. &c. And W^{m}. Godding pleaded Abatm^{t}. of in W^{m}. Lees Rates 71/4 Patrick Hobourns what was behind in his Rate vizt 26/ John Hobourns Rates 89/4 & y^{e} Wid^{w}. Grants Rate 18/4 in All £10=.5—.. Old Tenor the s^{d} Godding pleaded that he had paid all the Rates and muſt looſe so much if y^{e} Town Did not Conſider him

The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of y^e^ Town to Sink s^d^ Rates And Grant to M^r^ W^m^. Godding the Sum of 27/4 Lawfull money to Satisfy him for what he has paid. And y^e^ Vote paſt in the Affirmative

Nathl. Stone pleaded Abatm^t^ of Nathl Gamages Rates in his Lists 55/8 John Conred Huffinzes Rates £6=.5—.8 one Poll in Saml Nuttings Rates £6=.3—.. & 11/ Miſtake the whole Amounting to £15=15=.4 old Tenor.

Voted and Abated the Same, And Granted the Sum of 42/ Lawfull Money to Supply the Abatm^t^.

Amos Bond pleaded Alowance for miſtake in his List of 11/ old Tenor. Alow'd the same

The

[75] The 17th Article Red. The Report of y^e^ Com^tee^. Relating to y^e^ work houſe Red and after Debat y^r^ on.

(These Two Reports Recorded Page 76)

The Vote was put whether the Town are of ye mind to Continue the whole Affair Concerning the Work houſe to the Next may Meeting. Vote paſt in ye Affirmative.

18th. Article Red and After the Committes Report was red and Conſidred. The Vote ws put whether it is the Mind of ye Town to Accept of ye Committes Report, and that the piece of Land therein Diſcribed be and is hereby Granted and Confirmed to Nathl. Stone (maned in s^d^ Report) his heirs and Aſsigns He performing the Condition mentioned in s^d^ Report—And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

19 Article Red and ye Committes Report Red and Conſidred, And the Vote was put Whether the Town do Accept of s^d^ Report and that the Land there in Diſcribed be and hereby is Granted and Confirmed to Nathl. Bright (named in s^d^ Report) to his Heirs and Aſsigns he performing the Condition mentioned in s^d^ Report. Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

The Petition of David Sanger was Red, and After Conſideration thereon The Vote was put Whether it is the mind of ye Town to Chooſe a Committee to View the Premiſses pray'd for by s^d^ Sanger, And to See whether they Can Agree with him as to the price that He Shall give for s^d^ Priviledge pray'd for. And to Conſider what Steps are proper to be taken to Secure the Town's Land and Way Mentioned in s^d^ Petition. And to make report of y^r^ Doings to ye Town at their Next May Meeting for ye Town then to Act upon. And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

Voted and Choſe Enſ^n^. Daniel Whitney Meſs^rs^. John Hunt & Joseph Harrington to be a Commettee for ye Ends aboves^d^.

Voted to Let the Little Island below the Mill to the Higheſt bidder.

Voted that ye Com^tee^. abovenamed be a Comm^tee^. to Let s^d^ Island

22^d^ Article Red and after Debate thereon, Voted that the

Selectmen do try Mr Saml Coollidge in the School to See whether he will Anſwer the End of a Schoolmaſter.
23^{d} Article Red. And the Vote was put whether it is the Mind of ye Town to Chooſe & Impower a Comm^{tee}. to Ask for and Demand the Money belonging to the Town of Watertown which for many Years has and Still Ly's in the hands of a Com^{tee}. Choſen before the Town was Divided to Sell Land Lying to ye Ways, and to Receive the Same for the Uſe of ye Town, and upon the Receipt there of or any part thereof, to give Proper Diſcharges. and to make Report to the Town of y^{r} Doing in S^{d} Affair at their Meeting in May Next, that the Town may then do what they think proper with Relation to s^{d} Affair. And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative
Voted and Choſe Enſ^{n} Danl Whitney Meſs^{rs} John Hunt & Joseph Harrington to be ye Com^{tee} for ye Ends aboves^{d}.

The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of ye Town to make a Town buy Law to reſtrain Horſes Runing at Large in the Town without being fettred. The Vote paſt in ye Affirmative The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of ye Town, That ye Town buy Law Voted to be made relating to horſes S^{ld}. be in the words following. vizt. That No Perſon or Perſons Shall Suffer his, her, or their Horſe or Horſe kind that is above the Age of Six Months old to run at Large within the Limmets of Watertown without their being well fettred from the firſt Day of April AD 1751 to the Laſt Day of October Next following under the penalty or forfiture of Two Shillings Lawfull money for evry one that Shall be found runing at Large without being So fettred. One Moiety of s^{d}. forfiture to be to the Haward or field Driver, And the other Moiety to be for ye Uſe of the poor of the Town. And ye Vote paſt in the Affirmative.
Voted and Choſe Nathl Harris & Joseph Maſon Esq^{rs}. to be a Com^{tee}. to Lay S^{d} Buy-Law before the Honourable His Majestys Justices of ye Court of General Seſsions of ye peace to be holden in Charlſtown on the Second Tueſday of this Inſtant March, and in the Name of ye Town to Crave their Confirmation of s^{d} by Law.

This Buy Law Confirmed by ye Court of Seſsions &c/

[76] Watertown Sepr. 24. 1750 The Com^{tee}: Appointed to Agree with Perſons w^{t} they s^{ld}. give for Land Lying to the Town ways &c and report to the Town for y^{r} Acceptance.

The s^{d} Com^{ttee}. this Day Agre'd that Mr Nathl Stone Should move out his fence into the Town way Leading from the Buring place to ye s^{d} Stones, That is to Say his front fence Standing on the Weſt Line againſt s^{d} Way, and to move it out as follow's vizt. five paces from s^{d} Weſt Line weſtward into s^{d} Lane at abo^{t}. Two Rods from the South Weſt Corner of his Land and to run from thence Southerly with a bow line to s^{d} Corner.

and to run from the End of sd five paces Northerly abot Twenty Rods on a Straight Line to Stones at the End of Six paces from Sd. Weſt Line & from thence on a Straight Line to a heap of Stones oppiſite to a lopt Tree Standing on the West Side of ye Town way in Sd Stones Land this heep of Stones being Six paces from the Weſt Line aforesd. and from this heap of Stones to Run a Slant on a Straight Line untill it Enterſext the sd Weſt Line abt. four Rods South of ye North Weſt Corner of sd Stones Land againſt sd. Way. which Bounds or Line above Diſcribed includs or takes in about fifty three Rods of Land, and Leaves the Town Way generally Near three Rods in Wedth. In Conſideration of sd fifty three Rods of Land, the sd Stone Agre'd to pay into the Town Treaſurey therefor, the Sum of Six pounds Ten Shillings old Tenor for the Uſe of ye Town, when the Town Shall Accept of ye Comtees Report and grant and Confirm the Sd fifty three Rods of Land to him and his heirs and Aſsigns. Which is Submitted to ye Town by

The Report abovesd Accepted & ye Land Confirmed to ye sd Stone. See Page 75	Joseph Maſon Jonas Bond Ebenr. Stone	Committee abovesd

The Report of ye Committee Choſen to Diſpose of ye Common Land &c.

We the Subſcribers the Committee abovesd. Agre'd wth mr Nathl. Bright That He Sld. have a Small Corner of ye Common Land (if the Town See cauſe to Confirm the Same) Lying againſt his Land—Containing abt. Eight Rods of Ground, Bounded Eaſterly by Land belonging to John Kimbal junr. & ye sd Nathl Bright which was Common Land and purchaſed by them of ye Town. the Sd. Eaſt Line being Two Rods in Length. Southerly by Said Brights Land, and Northerly againſt the High Way the Northerly Line being abt. Ten Rods in Length at the End of wch. it Enterſex the Sd. Brights fence, the sd piece being Two Rods Wide on the Eaſt, and comes to a point at the Weſt. the sd Bright to pay there for into the Town Treaſurey the Sum of Twenty Shillings old Tenor when the Town Shall Grant and Confirm the Same Eight Rods to him & Aſsigns, for the Uſe of ye Town.

Joseph Mason
Nathl. Harris
Oliver Livermore

Watertown Octobr: 5. 1750

This Report Accepted & ye Land therein Dſcribed Confirmed to ye sd Bright. See Page 75.) —

[77] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Andw. Whites on the 22d Day of March AD. 1750. Agre'd And

Appointed the preſent Surveyers of High Ways their Reſpective Diſtricts which are as follow's vizt.

Mr Jon^{n}. Bemis Surveyer His Diſtrict to be all the High Ways and Town Ways Weſterly of the Lane or Town Way Leading from the Country Road by Eben^{r} Goddards So along acroſs the Town by the Meeting Houſe down to Cambridge line Near Thomas Wellingtons alſo the High Ways on the South Side of ye River and alſo the North part of the s^{d} Dividing lane, from the Meeting Houſe.

Mr Samuel Jeniſon Surveeyer His Diſtrict to be all the High Ways and Town Ways Eaſterly of ye aboves^{d} Lane or Town way acroſs the Town, and alſo the Southerly part of s^{d} Lane, from the Meeting Houſe to ye Country Road.

Agre'd that the Town Clerk give the Surveyrs Copys of ye Diſtricts. (wch was done)

The Selectmen being Notifyed and Informed that there is one Sarah Wilkeſon a Wid^{w}. Woman and her Daughter Mary Wilkeſon a Single Woman come to Reſide in Watertown who came from the Town of Wendham in the Coloney of Conneticut to s^{d}. Watertown, their their behavour and Circumſtances being Such that we the Selectmen Refuſe to Accept of them to be Inhab^{ts}. in Watertown, Accordingly Agre'd that they both s^{ld}. be warned forthwith to Depart out of Watertown. and the Town Clerk is hereby Ordred to Isue out a Warnt Directed to ye Conſtable forthwith to Warn ye s^{d}. Sarah and her Daughter Mary to Depart out of Watertown forth with and no longer to Reſide therein.

Caution Entred at e t y Adjourn 2 Wedenſday in April 1751.—

Andrew White
Daniel Whitney
Nathl. Coollidge
John Whitney
} Selectmen of Watertown /

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of Nathl Coollidges on the 1 Day of April AD. 1751. At S^{d} Meeting the Selectmen Agre'd with Mr John Coollidge jun^{r}. (P his Wife) To Board and Look after the Wid^{w}. Webb, and take good Care of her under her Preſent Circumſtances for one Year from the Twenty fifth Day of March Laſt paſt at three Shillings & Seven pence 1/8 P week (wch is Equal to 27/ old Tenor) and if any Extraordnary Charge should happen by Sickneſs or otherwiſe to be Reaſonably Alowed therefore. To wch. Agreem^{t}. M^{rs}. Coollidge Conſented.

At S^{d}. Meeting the Selectmen Ordred the Clerk to Sign their Prayer to ye the Court of Seſsions to Accept of y^{r} Caution againſt Sarah Wilkeſon & Daughter.

And in their Name to Sign any other Caution of ye Selectmen of ye Like Nature.

Agre'd that Enſ^{n} Danl Whitney and Dea: Saml Fiske take Effectual Care to See that the Pound be mended forthwith.
Agre'd that Mr And^{w}. White & Mr John Whitney take Effectual Care that that the Stocks be forth with mended.
Agre'd that Mr Benjn. Haſtings be Deſired to take the care of the Great Bridge this preſent Year to mend the Same as y^{r} may be Occation and to keep Acc^{t} thereof and Lay his Acc^{t} before ye Selectmen.

[78] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Wid^{w}. Mary Learneds on the 19th. Day of April AD. 1751.

At this Meeting Capt. John Brown of Waltham, one of the former Surveyers & Collecters of Watertown in the Years 1741. & 1742. Gave An Acc^{t}. to the Selectmen of His proceeding in Thoſe Offices in s^{d}. Years. As to the firſt Years Liſt Committed to Him to Collect or Work out, That it was all work't Out Except three Men Deceaſd and two that were gone out of the Town.
And as to His Second Years Liſt There were abo^{t}. Thirty Pounds old Tenor not work't out. wch He ye s^{d}. Brown promiſsed to uſe his Endeavour to See that it be worked out this preſent Year, Agreable to ye Vote of ye Town.

The Selectmen Ordred the Treaſurer to pay the Six pounds old Tenor which Mr Jonathan Bemis paid into the Treaſurey for his Pew in the Meeting houſe, to Jonas Coollidge it being Due to the Estate of m^{r} Ebenezer Thornton, Deceaſsed He having paid Eleazor Biglow for s^{d}. Pew. Or Diſcount the Bond Due from s^{d} Thorntons Estate to the Town with the Intreſt Due thereupon which Principal and Intreſt together Amounts to five pounds thirteen & 5^{d} old Tenor and Six ſhillings and Seven pence out of the Intreſt that aroſe upon the Land Sold this Day by ye Selectmen to s^{d} Jonas Coollidge.

(The Bond was accordingly Diſcounted by ye Treaſurer & given up to Mr Jonas Collidge).

At this meeting the Selectmen by Virtue of a Vote of ye Town in the Year 1740 Impowering them Signed a Deed of of a piece of Land to Jonas Coollidge formerly Bargained for by Mr Thornton Dec^{d} but never in his Life time Compleated, Lying Near S^{d}. Coollidges Houſe.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at Danl Whitneys on the 7th.. Day of May 1751 The Selectmen having Rec^{d} a Precipt requiring them to Aſsemble ye Inhab^{ts} of Watertown for to Chooſe a Repreſentative to Repreſent the Town of Watertown at a Genl Assembly Appointed to be Convened on Wedneſday ye 29 of May Currant. Ordred ye Clerk to Isue out warrants Directed to ye Conſtables of s^{d} Town to warn ye freehold^{rs} & other Inhab^{ts}. Quallified to Vote in The Choice of a Repre-

ſentative to Meet at ye Publick Meeting houſe in s^d^ Town on Munday the 20th. Day of May Currant at Two Clock After Noon then and there to Elect & Depute one Sutable Perſon to Repreſent them at the Court aboves^d^.

Like Wife to Order to Conſtables to Warn the freehold^rs^. and other Inhab^ts^. of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs to Meet at the Publick Meeting houſe in s^d^ Town on Munday the 20th of May Currant at Three Clock Affer Noon for the Ends following vizt.

1. To Chooſe a Moderator. 2^ly^. for the Town to Conſider and Act upon the 17th. Article in the Warrant for ye warning of laſt March Meeting relating to a Work houſe and wch was Continued to May Meeting. 3^ly^. To hear the Report of a Com^tee^: choſen to View the Premiſses Petitioned for by David Sanger &c. and further to Conſider what Steps are proper to be taken to Secure the Town land and way Near s^d^ Sangers &c And for the Town to Act their pleaſure wth Relation thereunto. 4^ly^. To hear the Report of a Committee Choſen to Aſk for and Demand the Money belonging to the Town of Watertown wch. Lyes in the hands of a Committee Choſen before the Town was Divided &c and for the Town to Conſider thereof & Act y^r^ pleaſure thereon. (Warents were Isued & deliv^d^ ye Conſtabls ye 8th may) The Selectmen Agre'd with Saml. Whitney to board Saml. Coollidge till further order of ye Selectmen at 5/4 P week. to which ye s^d^ Whitney gave his Concent. —

[79] At a General Town Meeting of the freehold^rs^. and other Inhab^ts^. of Watertown Quallified to Vote for a Repreſentative Regulerly Aſsembled at ye Publick Meeting houſe in s^d^ Town on ye 20th Day of May AD. 1751. To Elect & Depute one Perſon to Repreſent ye Town at a great & Genl Aſsembly appointed to be held & kept for His Majestys Service at ye Court houſe in Boston on the 29th of May Inſtant.

Upon a Motion made & Seconded a Previous Vote was put vizt. Whether it is the mind of ye Town to Chooſe a Perſon to Repreſent them at the General Court——And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative. ——

Another Motion was made and Seconded vizt. that the follwing Previous Vote might be put vizt.

Whether it is the mind of ye Town that the Perſon who Shall be choſen to Repreſent the Town at ye Genl Court, That without He, upon his being choſen, Shall immediatly Declare, That the Money or Wages that He Shall Receive for his Service at ye s^d^. Genl. Court, That He will pay the Same in to the Town Treaſurey for the Uſe of ye Town and that without He Shall thus Declare, His choice Shall be look't upon as Null and Void,

And the Town proced to a nother choice, and So till one Accept on y^{s} footing

And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

Then the Voters were called upon to bring in their Votes for the Choice of a Repreſentative And after the Votes were bro^{t} in Sorted and Numbred It Appeared that Mr John Hunt was Choſen by the Major part of the Votes to Repreſent the Town at the General Court abovesaid. who immeditatly Declared his Acceptance on the Conditions mentioned in the previous Vote aboves^{d}. vizt That He would pay the wages wch he Shall Riceive for his Service into the Town Treaſ^{r}. for ye Uſe of ye Town.

At a General Town Meeting of ye freehold^{rs}. and other Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs regulerly Aſsembled on ye 20th. Day of May 1751.

1^{ly} Voted and Choſe Jonas Bond Esqr Moderator [*]

2^{ly}. The Second Article in the Warrant was Red, relating to the work houſe. And the Vote was put Whether it is the mind of ye Town to Continue & refer the whole Affair of ye work houſe over to Next Annual Meeting in March. And the Vote paſt on ye Affirmative.

3^{ly}. The Third Article in the Warrant was red, And the Committee therein referred to made Varbile Report, that they had View'd the premiſes pray'd for by Mr David Sanger and that upon Diſcourſe wth s^{d} Sanger on the premiſses He offred Ten pounds old Tenor for the Priviledge wch He in his Petition pray'd for; wch the Com^{tee}: was of the Oppinion was much leſs than the worth of s^{d} Priviledge. and that in their judgm^{t} s^{d}. Privilidge was worth Sixty Pounds old Tener. After Debate y^{r} on The Petition of David Sanger red again, and the Vote was put Whether it is the mind of y^{e} Town the firſt prayer in y^{e} Petition be Granted—And the Vote paſt in the Negative. —

Then y^{e} Second pray^{r} in s^{d} Petition was Red, And upon s^{d} Sangers Offering to Pay into the Town Treaſurey the Sum of Thirty Pounds $^{\text{old Tener}}_{\wedge}$ for the Uſe of y^{e} Town and to maintain the Town Way againſt the five Rods Petitioned for. the Vote was put

Whether it is the Mind of the Town To Grant to David Sanger the Priviledge which he pray'd for vizt. The priviledge of five Rods of y^{e} Towns Land between the two Roks Mentioned in His Petition and the Liberty of building a Wharf there; upon the Condition of his paying into the Town Treaſurey for ye Uſe of the Town the Sum of Thirty pounds old Tenor And He his heirs and Aſsigns maintaining the Town way Againſt s^{d} five Rods. And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

4^{ly}. The fourth Article Red, And the Com^{tee}. Reported that they had received of ye Com^{tee}: Refer'd to in this Article the

* Undecipherable.

money wch. belonged to Watertown which was in their hands, which was Nineteen pounds 7/ old Tenor.

(See the Matter Settled in Lib: 4 Page 211 and there it Difcovers how ye money come to be in ye Com^ts^ hands—)

[80] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at David Coollidges Inhold^r^. on the 5th. of July AD. 1751.

The Selectmen having Red a List of ye Perfons Licenced the Laft Year. vizt. Thos Saltmarfh Mary Learned and David Coollidge Inholders, and Mr John Hunt Retailer, Which Perfons the Selectmen Approve of their having their Refpective Licences Renewed for this prefent Year.

The Selectmen upon the Requeft of Cornelious Waldo to be a Retailer of Strong Lickers in the Houfe where he now lives The Selectmen Approbated Him to be a Retailer, and Recommended him.

Watertown July 8th: 1751.

To Joseph Mason Esqr Town Cler /

Whereas the Selectmen have been Informed by Notifications in Writing that there is one Henry Seager with His wife Eliz^h^. and three Children vizt. Mofes Eben^r^. & Eliz^h^. come to Refide in watertown they came Laft from Newton; Alfo one Hannah Price is come to Refide in s^d^ Watertown who came Laft from Boston in the County of Suffolk, their Circumftances being Such, that the Selectmen refufe to Accept of them to be Inhab^ts^. in Watertown. Therefore You are hereby Ordered to Isue out a Warrant forthwirth Directed to the Conftables to warn the aboves^d^ Perfons forthwith to Depart out of Watertown and No longer to refide there in.

A warrant was Isued out Accordingly & Committed to ye Conftable. who Did ye Service & made Return. Att^t^. J. Mason Cler/	And^w^. White Daniel Whitney John Whitney Saml. Fisk	Selectmen of Watertown

At a meeting of ye Selectmen at Deacon Saml Fisk's on the 19th. of Aug^st^: 1751

It being Some time Since the Charges of ye Great Bridge in Watertown wear Adjusted and Settled between the Towns Concerned; and there being confiderable Chargs that have Arifsen Since the Laft Adjustm^t^. The Selectmen therefore Agree to Appoint Wednefday the Twenty Eighth Day of August Currant to be the Day on which to meet on s^d^. Affair, and to Meet at the Houfe of Rich^d^. Cuttings in Waltham Inhold^r^. at Two of the Clock P M in order to Adjust the Acc^ts^. of the Charge aboves^d^. Ordred the Cler to send Notifications to the Selectmen of Wefton and Waltham to Notify them of s^d^. Meeting, and y^t^ the Selectmen

Defire their Company Seafonably at s^{d}. Meeting and prepared to make a juft & Equal Setlem^{t}.

Notifications were Sent Accordingly [*]

[81] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown Wefton & Waltham at Richd Cuttings in s^{d} Waltham on the 29 Day of August 1751

The s^{d}. Selectmen Did then Adjuft the Acc^{ts}. of y^{e} Charge of y^{e} Great Bridge in Watertown which has Arifen Since the Adjuftm^{t}. in Jan^{y}: 1748. and after the Acc^{t}. adjufted and proportioned, there was Due from Wefton to Watertown 3—.8—.6 Lawfull money. and from Waltham £6=.6=.4

See the Acc^{t} on file Signed by y^{e} Selectmen. Alfo Recorded at Length in Lib^{r}. 2. Page 55. In the Treafurey. ——

At a Meeting of y^{e} Selectmen at m^{r} John Whitneys on the 8th of Octo^{r}. 1751. The Great Bridge wanting Some Repairs. Agreed to go and View s^{d} Bridge on the fourteenth Inftant to See what is Wanting to be done.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on Octo^{r}. 14. 1751. The Selectmen View'd the Great Bridge, and finding that it wanted Confiderable Repairing. Agreed to Send to the Selectmen of Wefton & Waltham to meet the Selectmen of Watertown at the Wid^{w}. Mary Learneds on the 21 Day of Octo^{r}. Currant in Order to a further View of s^{d}. Bridge and See what is Necefsary to be done.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown Wefton & Waltham on the 21 of Octo^{r}. 1751 at M^{rs}. Mary Learneds. Agreed by ye s^{d} Selectmen that there be Timber & Plank provided, Sufficient to Repair the great Bridge, Alfo agreed and Chofe Mr Danl Whitney of Watertown Mr Jonas Smith of Waltham & Mr Lampfon of Wefton to be a Com^{tee}. to provide Meterals and to See the work of Repairing S^{d} Bridge done.

At a Meeting of y^{e} Selectmen at the Houfe of Cap^{n}. Nathl. Coollidge on the 6th Day of Decemb^{r}. 1751. At Said Meeting y^{e} Selectmen Signed Several Orders to the Town Treafurer. vizt. An Order to pay thofe perfons the Town is indebted to Amounting to £20=12=.8¼. An Order to pay Mr John Coollidge jun^{r} £3=.9=.4. An Order to pay to the Rev^{d}. Mr Seth Storer £30 in part of his Salary for this prefent Year And an Order to pay to L^{t}. Daniel Whitney the Sum of £10. to help pay for things procured by y^{e} Selectmen for Mr Saml Coollidge prefent Schoolmafter, and to be Acc^{td}. in part for his ye s^{d} Coollidge keeping the School. The Wid^{w}. Grover und^{r}. her poor Circumftances wanting Some Relief Refpecting fire wood Agreed that a Load of wood be procured for her at ye Towns Coft.

* Undecipherable.

[82] Watertown, Jan^{y}: 2. 1752. Complaint being made to the Selectmen that the Wid^{w}. Maddocks being reduced to Difficult circumſtances; and at M^{rs}. Murches where She cannot be Entertained with out being Very trouble Some and chargable to s^{d}. M^{rs}. Murch; The Selectmen did this Second of January at L^{t}. Daniel Whitneys Agree that Nathl. Coollidge & Danl. Whitney

2 of ye Selectmen Should go and Enquire into the s^{d} Affair
A

And^{w} White
John Whitney
Saml. Fiſk
Daniel Whitney
Nathl. Coollidge
} Selectmen of Watertown

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at And^{w}. Whites Nathl Coollidge and Daniel Whitney, Reported upon the Affair of the Wid^{w} Maddocks as follow's. They went to M^{rs}. Murches the 3^{d} Inſtant and found the complaint that was made to the Selectmen not to be without Grounds, at which time & place the s^{d}. Wid^{w}. Maddocks Applyed to them as Selectmen for relief, and Accordingly they Agreed with M^{rs}. Murch that while She Tarryed with her and was Supported by her She Should Receive After the Rate of Twenty five Shillings old Tenor P week from the Town till further Order to which Agreem^{t}. the Selectmen Did Conſent.
And whereas the Wid^{w}. Maddocks hath been at M^{rs}. Murches Lately, for a conſiderable time to gether, at her the s^{d}. Murches finding both proviſion and fireing for her. The Selectmen Agreed M^{rs}. Murch should have a Load of wood for a requital.
The Selectmen alſo at s^{d} Meeting Agreed that the Wid^{w}. Grover s^{ld}. have a Load of wood at the Coſt of the Town.

Andrew White
John Whitney
Daniel Whitney
Saml. Fiſk
Nathl. Coollidge
} Selectmen of Watertown

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at Dea^{n}: Saml Fisks on ye 20th of Jan^{y}: 1752
in order to take in the Acc^{ts}. of what was Done by Watertown for Repairing the Great Bridge, and in order that the Charge of Repairs of s^{d} Bridge may be Speedly Adjuſted and Settled, between the Towns that Stand Related to s^{d} Bridge, the Acc^{ts}. are as follow's; Jonas Coollidge for 1 Tun & 5 feet Timber at 10£ Pr Tun old Tenor & Meaſuring 691 feet of plank 7/ the whole in old Ten 11—12—..
And^{w}. White 3 Days work at 20/ P .3—..—..
John Whitney 2 Days 40/ half Day himſelf & Teem 18/ 2 pieces of Timb^{r} 1 Tun ½ 3 feet £15=15/ 18—13—..

Dan[l]. Whitney 6 Days work, a load of Stones Speeks & for Carting of plank all	.8—..—..
To John Cook ½ a day 10/ David Livermore for doggs & Speeks 68/1	.3—18—.1
Ben Haſtings 6 Days at 25/ & for mending the Bridge pſent Year all	17—..—..
	62—.3—.1

the foot of this Acc[t] in Lawfull	£8=.5—.9	8—16—5
Sixteen Dinners at Saltmarſhs	..—10—.8	

(Theſe Acc[ts]. have been Adjuſted wth the Town's tho not granted) The Selectmen Agreed to Meet at Rich[d] Cuttings in Waltham on Tueſday the 11 of Feb[y]. Next at 2 clock

in

[83] in the after noon and Deſired the Clerk to Signify to y[e] Selectmen of Weſton & Waltham of the time and place of s[d] Meeting, and to Deſire y[t] they w[ld]. meet them at s[d] time & place and come prepared to Settle y[e] Charg of s[d]. Bridge

At a Meeting of y[e] Selectmen of Watertown Weſton & Waltham on the 11 Day of Feb[y]. 1752 At Rich[d]. Cuttings in Waltham then the Acc[ts]. of Charge of Repairs of y[e] Great Bridge Since y[e] Laſt Adjuſtm[t]. was Adjuſted and Settled.

Watertown Acc[t].	12—19—.3
Weſton's Ditto	.4—17—.4
Waltham—Do—	..—10—..
	18=06 .7

Watertown over paid y[r] proportion the Sum of		6—10—1
Due from Weſton	1—8—11	6—10—1
Due from Waltham	5—1—.2	

See the whole Acc[ts]. and Settlm[t]. Record in Book N° 2 Page (55) in the Treaſurey. And y[e] Acc[t]. Signed by y[e] Sleectmen of Each Town on File.

At a meeting of y[e] Selectmen of Watertown on y[e] 14th: of Feb[y]: 1752 at John Whitneys

The Selectmen ordred the Clerk to Isue out Warrants. Directed to the Conſtables of s[d] Town for the Warning of a Town Meeting to be on the Second Day of March Next at Nine of y[e] Clock in the forenoon At the Publick Meeting houſe in s[d]. Town for the Ends following. viz[t]. (1) To Chooſe a Moderator. (2) To Chooſe Selectmen a Town Clerk Town Treaſurer a Conſtable or Conſtables, Aſseſsors and all other Such Town Officers as by Law are to be Choſen in the Month of March Annualy. (3) To Chooſe a Saxton. And Agree how he

shall be paid for his Service. (4) To bring in their Votes for a County Treaſurer. (5) To know the Mind of ye Town whether Swine Shall run at Large under ye Regulations ye Law requires in such Caſe (6) To hear the Town Treaſurer's Acc^ts^. and for the Town to paſs upon them. (7) For the Town to Appropriate their Intreſt Money that is Comming to the Town this Preſent Year the Year beginning ye 11th of Decr 1751. (8) To Grant an Honourable Salary for ye Revd Mr Seth Storer for ye Year Inſuing the Year beginning the firſt of March Next whereby he may be honourably Supported. (9) To Grant Money for ye Support of ye Gramer & Engliſh School in the Town the Year Enſuing. (10) To Grant money for ye Support of ye poor this Pſent Year. (11) To hear the Acc^ts^. of thoſe Perſons to whom the Town is Indebted, and to paſs on them and to Grant money to Satisfy them (12) To Grant money for the Repairing of ye Meeting houſe (13) To Grant money for ye Repairing the Great Bridge in Watertown. (14) To know whether the Town will mend the High Ways and Town Ways by Rate this p^r^ſent Year; and if the Town Com's into this Method then to make a Grant of Money for the Same, and for Perſons to work out what they Shall be Aſſeſt at for that Service (if they See meet) at the price of Labour both of Perſons and Teems that ye Town may agree upon, and to chooſe the Surveyers of high Ways to be Collectors of s^d^. Rate, or to see that it be faithfully work't out with in the Year in the way and Manner that the Town Agrees on. (15) To know the mind of ye Town whether they will revive the Town buy Law which was made & Confirmed for the Laſt Year reſpecting Horſes. and Chooſe a Comm^tee^. to git it Confirmed. for this Year, (16) To hear the Report of ye Selectmen relating to the Stating of the Wydth of a Town Way againſt the Land of David Sanger no width hereto fore to be found on Record, and for ye Town to Act their pleaſure wth. Relation thereto. (17) To hear the Petition of David Sanger praying that the Town w^ld^. Sell to him that small piece of Land Lying between the River & the Town Way againſt his Land for

Valueable

[84] Valuable Conſideration; and for the Town to Act their pleaſure thereupon (18) To know the Mind of ye Town whether they will Lett the Little Island below the Mills and Such other Lands or banks by the River belonging to the Town as may be thô Proper to be lett, and if Let to be Lett under Such regulation and Direction as the Town Shall preſcribe. (19) To know the Mind of ye Town whether they will Make a buy Law, to prevent Sheep runing at Large without a keeper from the firſt Day of April next to the firſt of May following. —
And to Order the Conſtables to Notify Such Perſons as the Town are Indebted to, to bring in their Acc^ts^. to the Selectmen

at the Houſe of ye Wid^w^. Mary Learned Inholder on Fryday the 28th. of Feby. Currant at three of ye Clock after noone And to Notify Late Collectors of the High Way Rates who have not made up their Acc^ts^. to bring in their Acc^ts^. and to make up with s^d^ Selectmen at s^d^. time and place. ————

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on the 28th. of Feby. 1752 at ye Wid^w^. Mary Learneds in order to take in the Acc^ts^. of thoſe Perſons that the Town is indebted to.

Sundry Acc^ts^. Acc^ts^. were taken in by ye Selectmen on the 20th. of January Laſt relating to the Great Bridge in order to Settle Acc^ts^. with the other Towns Concerned with s^d^ Bridge which are Recorded (Page 82) And Settled Feby. 11. 1752. See Page (83) which Acc^ts^: have not as Yet been Laid before the Town nor Money Granted to pay them, thoſe Acc^ts^. are as follow's. vizt.

To Jonas Coollidge for 1 Tun & 5 feet Timb^r^. 30/ for Meaſuring 691 feet of plank 11^d^	£.1=10=11	
To And^w^. White 3 Days work at s^d^ Bridge 2/8 P	..=.8 = ..	
To John Whitney 2 Days work 5/4 ½ a Day himſelf & Teem 2/5 & 1 Tun ½ & 3 feet Timb^r^	.2=.9 =.9	
To Danl Whitney 6 Days work 16/ a load of Stones carting of plank & Speeks 5/4	1—.1=.4	
To John Cook half a Day 1/4 at s^d^ Bridge	..—.1 —.4	
To Benjn. Haſtings 6 Days work at 3/4 P 20/ and for mending y^e^ Bridge 1751 25/4	.2—.5 —.4	
To David Livermore for Sundry doggs & Speeks from April 1751 to 6th. Nov^r^: following	..—.9 =.1	
To 16 Dinners at Mr Saltmarſhes	..—10=.8	
		£.8=16=.5
To Deacon Saml Fisk for Carrying the Waights & Meaſures to the Province Treaſurer y^e^ Laſt Year to be try'd 2/8 and for his Service as An Aſseſsor, Help taking parfecting y^e^ Invoice Making the Province County & Town Rates for y^e^ year 1751: 13/4	..—16=..	
To Nathanael Harrington Aſseſsor for help taking perfecting y^e^ Invoice Making the Province County & Town Rates for 1751	..—13—.4	

To Nath[l] Bright Aſſeſſor for help taking perfecting y[e] Invoice Making y[e] Province County & Town Rates for y[e] year 1751 ——	..—13=.4	
To Jona[n] Stone Terſus for one Load of wood for y[e] Wid[w] Grover 6/8 and for Sundry things found for S[d]. Wid[w]. Grover 2/8—and for One Load of wood for Suſanna Murch 6/8 ——	..=16=..	
To Cap[t]. Nath[l] Coollidge for 200 feet of Board 4/ 300 board Nails 2/9 for the Schoolhouſe, and for three Days & a half work at y[e] Schollhouſ 11/3	..=18—..	
To Jona[n] Bemis for Stones for the Bridge between Watertown & Waltham	..—.2 —.8	
To Sam[l] Hager for Stones for Said Bridge	..—.2 =..	
Dan[l]. Whitney for a p[r]. of Shoos for y[e] Wid[w]. Webb	..—.4 =..	
To Joseph Maſon for his Service as Clerk & Treaſ[r]. for y[e] year 1751 53/4 for Caſh p[d] for the Confirming the Town buy Law 1/ and for a Rope for the Bell 2/8	.2=17—..	
To Sam[l] Stratton for Mending y[e] Stocks 1/4 And y[e] Pound 5/4	..—.6 =.8	
		£.7—.9—..
		£16—.5—.5

[85] At a General Town Meeting of y[e] Freehold[rs]. and other Inhab[ts]. of Watertown Quallefied to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Aſsembled and Met at the Publick Meeting houſe in s[d] Town on the second Day of March AD. 1752 for the Choice of Town Officers, and Tranſacting other Town Affairs Mentioned in the Warrants &c.

Voted and Choſe Jonas Bond Esq[r]. Moderator of s[d]. Meeting

Voted and Choſe for Selectmen
- Jonas Bond Esq[r]
- M[r] John Hunt
- Joseph Maſon Esq[r].
- M[r] Jona[n] Bemis
- M[r] Jos: Harrington

Voted and Choſe Joseph Maſon Esq[r]. Town Clerk

Voted and Choſe Joseph Maſon Esq[r]. Town Treaſurer.

Voted and Choſe for Conſtables { Jonathan Child / John Kimbal jun^{r}

Voted and Choſe for Aſseſsors { Nathl. Harrington / Saml. Coollidge jun^{r} / Joseph Maſon

Voted and choſe Isaac Sanderſon Sealer of Leather

Voted and Choſe for fence viewers { Saml. Cook / Amos Bond

Voted and choſe for Surveyers of High Ways { Simon Coollidge / Saml. Whitney

Voted and Choſe for Tything men { Chriſtopher Grant / Amos Bond

Voted and Choſe for Hogrieves { Joſiah Stouel / Uriah Clark

Voted and Choſe for Meaſurers & Surveyers of Timber plank &c— { Jonas Coollidge / Bez^{l}. Learned

Voted and Choſe for Hawards { Nathl. Coollidge jun^{r} / John Gale

Voted and Choſe W^{m}. Gamage Gager of Cask

Voted & Choſe for Deer reives { Thos. Saltmarſh / David Livermore

Voted and Choſe for Saxton, Saml. Stratton

Voted to give him Two Contributions as has been Uſual, which he Accepted as a Satisfaction for his Service.

Then the Votes were bro^{t}. in for a County Treaſurer.

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of the Town that Swine S^{ld}. Run at large this Year under the regulations of the Law. and ye Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

The Treaſurers Accompts were Laid before the Town Red and Conſidred

And the Votes were put whether the Town Alow & Accept of y^{e} Treaſures Acc^{ts}. and the Vote paſt full in the Affirmative

Voted and Appropriated the Intreſt money Coming to the Town for this preſent Year as follows viz £14=13=.4 To the Support of y^{e} Miniſtry & 14=13—.4 for the School

Voted and Granted for the Revd Mr Storers Salary for the preſent Year the Sum of Sixty Six pounds 13/4 £14=13=.4 of it to be paid out of y^{e} Intreſt money £52 to be Aſseſt

Voted and Granted for the School forty Pounds { £14=13=.4 To be paid out of y^{e} Intreſt money / .6—13—.4 To be paid out of Some Arreages of School Grants / .18—13—.4 To be Aſseſed

Voted and Granted for the Support of y^{e} poor 13 pounds 6/8 £13—.6—8

A Liſt of y^{e} Acc^{ts}. of thoſe Perſons the Town is Indebted to

was Laid before the Town Amounting to £16=.5—.5 And Alowed by a Vote.

Voted and Granted the Sum of 16=.5=.5 To Satisfy & pay s^d^ Acc^ts^ 16=.5=.5

Voted and Granted one Pound Six Shillings & 8^d^ for y^e^ Repair of y^e^ Meeting houſe .1—.6—.8

Voted and Granted four Pound for y^e^ Great Bridge Repairs .4—..—..

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of y^e^ Town to Mend the High Ways & Town Ways by Rate this Year and the Vote past in the Negative

Then the Vote was put whether it is the mind of the Town That thoſe Surveyers who are alſo Collectors who have not worked out their Rates Shall have the Liberty of Six months from this Month to work out and Compleat their liſts or other wiſed be Conſtrained to pay into the Selectmen w^t^ is behind of y^r^ Liſts of Rates and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

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[86] The Vote was put whether it is ye Mind of ye Town to revive the Town Buy Law relating to Horſes runing at Large w^th^out fetters. and the Vote paſt on the Negative.

Mr David Sangers Petition Red to ye Town, and ye Vote put whether The Town Grant the prayer of s^d^ Petition. & ye Vote paſt on the Negative

The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of ye Town to Lett the Little Island below the Mills and other Town Land or landing places Near the River that may be proper to be Lett. And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

Voted to chooſe a Committee to Lett the s^d^ Island and other Town Lands by the River for this preſent Year.

Voted and Choſe the ^prefent^ Selectmen to be a Committee for ye Ends Aboves^d^.

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Make a Town buy Law to reſtrain Sheep Runing at Large without a keeper from the firſt Day of April Next to ye firſt of May following. & the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Upon a Motion Made and Seconded, The Vote was put whether this Meeting S^ld^. be Adjourned and ye Remaining buiſneſs thereof to Mondy the Ninth Inſtant to this place at 3 Clock after noon

And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

And the Meeting was Accordingly Adjourned

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at ye Wid^w^. Mary Learneds on March the 9th. 1752. all the Selectmen took the Oath preſcribed in an Act of this Province Made in the Year 1748. Chap^tr^: Ten Page 384. Relating to Bills of Credit of ye other Provinces.

Joseph Maſon took the oath of a Town Clerk a Town Treaſurer, and An Aſseſsor, & ye oath aboves^d^ } Before Nathl. Harris Justice peace

Jonathan Child
John Kimbal jun^r^ } Conſtables
Nathl. Harrington
Samuel Coollidge } Aſseſsors
Isaac Sanderſon Sealer of Lea^r^
Amos Bond fence Viewer & Tythingman
Simon Coollidge
Saml. Whitney } Surveyers of High Ways
Jonas Coollidge
Bez^l^. Learned } Surveyers & Meaſurers of Timber plank &c
John Gale Haward.

The abovenamed Perſons were Sworn to their Reſpective Offices, having firſt taken ye Oath mentioned in Chap^tr^. X Page 384 as above s^d^. /

Before Joseph Maſon Justice peace /

[87] At a General Town Meeting of the Freehold^rs^. & other Inhab^ts^. of Watertown on the 9th. Day of March 1752 At the Publick Meeting houſe in s^d^ Town by Adjurnm^t^.

Inasmuch as it Appeared to the Town that there was An Act of this Province (wch the Town was not apprized of before) Relating to Sheep to prevent their runing at Large from the 15th. of March &c.

The Vote was put whether the Town do Reconſider the Laſt Vote paſt at the Meeting on ye 2^d^ Inſtant Relating to Sheep. The Vote paſt in ye Affirmative

Whereas the Town Paſt a Vote at their Laſt Meeting wch was on ye 2^d^ Day of this Inſtant March, to Chooſe a Com^tee^. to Let ye Island below the Mills, and other Town Land Near the River for this preſent Year. And as there May ariſe Some inconvenancy on ye Acc^t^ of ye S^d^. Comm^tts^. not having power to Let s^d^. Lands or any part of them for more than one Year.—The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Inlarge s^d^. Com^tees^. power and that they ye s^d^ Com^tee^: are Impowred to Let s^d^. Island and other Lands or Any part of them for one or more Years, as the Com^tee^: shall Judge will be moſt for the Intreſt and benefit of the Town, and to Sign a Leaſe or Leaſes there of in behalf of ye Town. and ye Vote paſt in ye Affirmative.

Upon a motion made to Chooſe a nother or Third Surveyer and Meaſ^r^. of Timber &c. The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of ye Town to Chooſe a Third Surveyer and Meaſ^r^. of Timber Plank &c. and the Vote paſt in the Negative.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of ye Wid^w^. Mary Learneds on the 16th. Day of March AD. 1752. The Wid^w^.

Webbs time of boarding wth. Mr John Coollidge being Near Expiring. The Selectmen Agre'd with M^{rs}. Mercy Coollidge ye wife of ye s^{d} Jno Coollidge (He not being prefent by reafon of Bodily infermity) To board ye S^{d}. Wid^{w}. Webb & to look well after her for the Space of one Year from the Twenty fifth of this Inftant March for Three Shillings & Seven pence ¼ P^{r} week & if any Extraordinary charge s^{ld}. happen by reafon of sicknefs or lamenefs to have Reafonable Satisfaction therefor. To wch. M^{rs}. Coollidge Concented.

At this Meeting the Selectmen Appointed the Surveyers of High Ways their Refpective Diftricts &c vizt. Simon Coollidge Surveyer his Diftrict to be All the High Ways & Town Ways belonging to ye Town Eaftly of the Town way Leading from ye Country Road by Eb^{r}. Goddards) acrofs ye Town by the Meeting houfe down to Cambridge Line Near Thomas Wellingtons, and the Southerly part of s^{d} Lane from ye s^{d}. Meetinghoufe to ye Country Road Afores^{d}. — And

Saml. Whitney Surveyer His Diftrict to be all the High Ways & Town Ways belonging to the Town Wefterly of ye Town way Leading from ye Country Road along by the Meeting houfe to Cambridge Line Near Thos: Wellingtons. And the Northerly part of s^{d}. way from ye Meeting houfe, alfo ye Country Roads on ye South Side of ye River.

[88] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen the 23^{d} Day of March AD. 1752 Several of the Late Sureyers of ye High Ways who were Collectors Meet the Selectmen and gave Acc^{t}. of the Lifts &c. vizt.

Daniel Bond for y^{e} Year 1750. Work't out his Rate.

Saml. Stratton for y^{e} Year 1748 had work't out his Rate, (only Some Nonrefidents & wid^{w}. Grant Phinhas Holdins Exceptd)

Jonas Coollidge Surveyer for y^{e} Year 1749. Was behind ab^{t}. £40 old Tenor

W^{m}. Coollidge Surveyer for y^{e} Years $\left\{\begin{matrix}1744\\1746\\1747\end{matrix}\right\}$ had behind in his Lift ab^{t}. £17 Ditto.

Smith Prentice Surveyer for y^{e} Year 1750 was behind in his Lift ab^{t}. £32 Ditto

Capt. Brown who was a Surveyer in Watertown for the Years $\left\{\begin{matrix}1741\\1742\end{matrix}\right\}$ was behind in his Lifts not work't out ab^{t}. £40 old Tenor

At a Meeting of y^{e} Selectmen at y^{e} Houfe of Jonas Bond Esqr. on the 30th. Day of March AD. 1752.

The Selectmen Agre'd to Defire Mr Benjn. Haftings to take the care of y^{e} Great Bridge for this p^{r}fent Year as he has done for for Some Years past, and Lay his Acc^{t}. before the Selectmen at at the Clofe of ye Year.

The Selectmen being Informed & Notifyed in Writing by Lt. Daniel Whitney that he had taken in to his Houſe the Widow Sarah Chadwick and her Daughter Submitt Chadwick who Came Laſt from Waltham, and came to Watertown the 22d Day of Decemr Laſt

Alſo Notified in Writing by Jonan Child that He had taken in to his houſe one Margret Wilkeſon a Young woman who Came to Watertown the 23d. of Octobr. Laſt paſt, and She Came Laſt from the Town of Wendham in Connetticut, who have no great Subſtance.

The Selectmen Ordred the Clerk to Isue out Warrants directed to the Conſtables of Watertown, requiring them to Warn the above named perſons to Depart out of sd Watertown.

The Selectmen Agreed to Meet again on the 20th. of April Next at the Houſe of Thos. Saltmarſhes at three of the Clock Affernoon in Order to Adjust the Charge of ye Poor and proportion and Settle the Same with the Selectmen of Waltham thoſe poor wch. they are Concerned in.

Ordred the Clerk to Send a Notification of sd. Meeting to the Selectmen of Waltham to Defire them to meet at sd. time & place on sd. Affair.

[89] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown & Waltham at mr Thos: Saltmarſhes on the 20th. of April AD. 1752 Appointed for ye Adjuſting of ye Accts. of the poor Maintained by sd. Town's. After Conſiderable Debate abot ye Widw. Mary Maddocks it was Concluded to put off the Adjuſting sd. Accts. till Some other time, & in the Mean time for ye Selectmen of Each Town to git information relating to her going out of Watertown and coming in Again &c.

The Selectmen of Watertown Agreed wth. Mr Saml. Coollidge Schoolmaſter that he Sld. have the Grant or Alowance the Town Made for the Support of the School for ye Year 1751. for his Service in keeping the School from the 20th. of April 1751 to the 20th of April 1752 His Board at Mr Saml. Whitneys & what sd Whitney Laid out for him, and what ye Selectmen Laid out for him the Laſt Year to be Alowed and Deducted out thereof, to which the Said Coollidge Concented.

And the Said Selectmen Agreed further wth. the sd. S. Coollidge to Continue to keep the School, and he to receive as a reward for his reguler keeping sd. School after the Rate of forty Pounds P Year for the time that He shall keep ye sd. School regulerly & well, He to Board him Self or paying for his boarding. unto all which the Said Saml Coollidge Agreed and was Content.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at Mr John Hunts on the fourth Day of May AD. 1752. The Selectmen having recd. a Precipt from the High Sherriff of the County of Middx. Requiring them forthwith to Aſsemble ye Inhabts. of yr Town in Order to Elect

& Depute a perſon to Repreſent them at a Great & General Court appointed to be Convened held & kept at Concord on Wedneſday the Twenty Seventh Day of of this Inſtant May. In obſervance whereof Ordred the Clerk to Isue out warrants Directed to ye Several Conſtables of s^{d} Town To warn the freehold^{rs}. and other Inhab^{ts}. of s^{d} Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative to Aſsemble & Meet at ye publick Meeting Houſe in s^{d}. Town on Munday the Eighteenth Day of May Currant at three of ye Clock After Noone, Then and there to Elect and Depute a Meet perſon to Repreſent ye Town of Watertown at a great and Genl Court Appointed to be Convened held & kept at the Court houſe in Concord on Wedneſday the Twenty Seventh Day of this Inſtant May.

Likewiſe to Order the s^{d}. Conſtables to warn the freeholders and other Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs, to Meet at the publick Meeting houſe in s^{d} Town on the Eighteenth Day of this Inſtant May at four of ye Clock Afternoon for the Ends following vizt.

1. To know the mind of ye Town whether they will Sell that piece of Land belong to the Town Lying between ye Country Road and the Mill crick above the Corn Mill, or any part of it, and if ye Town See meet to Sell, then to choſe and Impower a Com^{tee}: to Sell the Same, they following Such Directions as the Town shall give them reſpecting the Manner of Sale and to give Lawfull Conveyances thereof in the Name & behalf of ye Town, to ye purchaſers thereof.

2. In caſe the Town do not See meet to Sell the Land aboves^{d}. then to know the mind of ye Town whether they will Leaſe out s^{d} piece of Land for Such a Term of Years as may Encourage the hireing and building thereon, and to Chooſe a Com^{tee}. to Leaſe out ye same agreeable to such Directions as ye Town shall give.

3^{ly}. Whereas there was a grant made by ye Great & Genl. Court to Watertown off 1500 Acres of Medow wch. has not yet been Satisfied or taken up, And whereas Watertown Weſton & Waltham (all originally Watertown) have been at very great Cost & Charge in Building Rebuildings & repairings of ye Great Bridge over Charles River in Watertown, and ever like to be under Such hevy growing charges if Releaf cant be Some way Obtained, upon theſe Conſiderations to know the mind of ye Town whether they will choſe and Impower their Repreſentative to joine with the Repreſentatives of Weſton & Waltham, to search the Province Records to find s^{d} Grant, and in the Name & behalf of s^{d} Watertown Weſton & Waltham To Petition the great & General Court for Releaſ in s^{d}. premiſses, by granting to s^{d}. Towns so much of ye unapropriated Lands belonging to the Province as they in their Wiſdom Shall Judge Equivolent to said Grant of Medow, and Adiquate to the great Burden they Lye under relating to s^{d} Bridge, that they may be the better enabled to bear that burden,

which ye Publick in general Enjoy & Reap so great benefit & Advantage by, or that in their great wiſdom they w^ld^. otherwiſe releave them.

(Which was Done Accordingly bearing Date ye 5th. of May &c)

[90] At a General Town Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhab^ts^: of Watertown Qualified to Vote in ye Choice of a Repreſentative Regulerly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting houſe in s^d^. Town on the 18th. Day of May AD. 1752. for the Choice of a Perſon to Repreſent them at a Great & General Court Appointed to be Convened held & kept for his Majestys Service at the Court Houſe in Concord on the 27th. Day of this Inſtant May. the Majer part of ye Selectmen being Preſent.

The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of the Town to Choſe a Perſon to Repreſent them at the General Court above^sd^.— And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Upon a Motion made and Seconed, a previous Vote was put, vizt. Whether it is the Mind of ye Town That the Perſon who Shall be Choſen to Repreſent the Town at the Genl. Court Above^sd^. That without He upon his being Choſen shall immediatly Declare that he will Serve the Town Gratis, or that if He shall receive Any Wages for his Service that He will pay the Same into the Town Treaſurey for the Uſe of the Town, and without He do thus Declare his choice shall be Look't upon as Nul and Void, and the Town proceed to a Nother Choice and So till one Accept on Said Terms.— And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

Then the Voters were called upon to bring in their Votes for a Repreſentative And after the Votes were bro^t^. in, Sorted and Numbred it Appeared by the Votes that Mr John Hunt was Choſen to Repreſent the Town at ye Great & Genl Aſsembly Above said, by the Majer part of the Voters preſent. who Declared his Acceptance on the terms propoſed in the above previous Vote. And took the Oath Required to be taken relating to ye paper bills of Credit on ye Neighbour Provinces referred to in ye Return on ye back of ye precipt.)

At a General Town Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabtents of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Aſsembled at ye Publick Meeting Houſe in S^d^. Town on Munday the 18th. Day of May AD. 1752.

Voted and Choſe Joseph Mason Esqr. Moderator of s^d^. Meeting.

The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of ye Town to Sell that piece of Land belonging to the Town Lying Between the Country Road and the Mill Crick above the Corn Mill.—And the Vote paſt in the Affermative.

Voted to Choſe a Committee to Sell Said piece of Land

Voted and Choſe the preſent Selectmen to be s^d^. Committee who are Impowred to sell s^d^ piece of Land, they following the Directions the Town Shall give to them. Then the Vote was put Whether it is the Mind of the Town that the Method the Committee aboves^d^. Shall take in Selling the aboves^d^. piece of Land, Shall be to poſt the Sale up Some Convenant time before hand at the Publick Houſes at s^d^. Town And Apoint in the Notifications of s^d^. Sale a time for s^d^. Sale, and then put it up either in whole or in part, and the Higeſt bidder to have it, And the Committee to give Conveyances of ye same in the name of ye Town to Such Perſon or Perſons who shall Appear in a fair and Reguler Manner to be the higheſt bidder he or they paying Down the Money bidden for the Same, or giving Sufficient Security for the Same to the Town to the Acceptence of ye Committee. And ye Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Then

[91] Then the Third Article in the warrant for warning the meeting was Red and there upon the following Vote was put. vizt. Whereas there was an Ancient Grant made by the Great and General Court to Watertown off 1500 Acres of Midow which has not Yet been Satisfyed or taken up, and Whereas Watertown Weſton & Waltham (all origanally Watertown) have been at Very great coſt and Charge in Building and Rebuildings and Repairings of ye Great Bridge over Charles River in Watertown and ever like to be under Such a heavy and growing Charge if relief cant be Some way Obtained, upon wch Conſiderations whether it is the mind of the Town to choſe and Impower their Repreſentative to joine with the Repreſentatives of Weſton & Waltham, And in the Names and behalf of s^d^ Watertown Weſton & Waltham to Petition the Great & General Court for releaf in s^d^. premiſses prayind s^d^. Court to Grant to said Towns So much of the Unapropriated Lands belonging to this Province as they in their Wiſdom Shall judge Equivolent to S^d^. Grant of Medow, and Adquate to ye Great Burden they Lye under relating to s^d^. Bridge that ye s^d^ Three Towns may be the better enabled to bear their hevy Burden by which the Publick enjoy a great benefit & Advantage, or that the s^d^. Honourable Court in their great wiſdom w^ld^. otherwiſe releave them the three Towns abovesaid. And ye Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

June 15th. 1752.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at M^rs^. Mary Learneds to Conſider the Liſt of Licenced Perſons. After the List was Conſidred the Selectmen gave their Conſent That Thos: Saltmarſh Wid^w^. Mary Learned & David Coollidge Inholders Meſs^rs^. John Hunt & Cornelius Waldo Retailers S^ld^. have their Licences Renewed for ye Year Enſuing. The Selectmen upon the Requeſt

of Mr Peter Jehonot Approbated him to be a Retailer for Six Months and recommended him

The Selectmen Agree'd that there be Two Shifts and a Peticote provided for the Wid^{w}. Deliverance Webb. and that M^{rs}. Mercy Coollidge be Defired to get them.— Agreed alfo to go to the Minifteral houfe on Thurfday ye Eighteenth Inftant to View the Same, and See what repairs is Necefsary to be be made and that Mr Benjn. Hafting who is a Houfewright be Defired to meet ye Selectmen at s^{d}. Houfe.

The Selectmen on the 18th. of June 1752 According to Agreem^{t}. went to View the Miniftral Houfe and upon View found So much Necefsary to be done to the houfe and Barn that they Agreed to call the Town together in Sepr. Nex and to Lay the Matter relating to the s^{d} Houfe & Barn before the Town for their Confideration & Determination relating to ye premifses.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at ye Dwelling Houfe of Joseph Mafon on the Eleventh Day of Auguft 1752. The Selectmen having on ye 18th. of June Laft View'd the Minifteral Houfe and Barn and found them in Such a Condition that they thought it proper to Lay it before the Town for their Determination and did then Agree that there Should be a Meeting called some time in Sepr next for that End. The Selectmen do therefore Now Agree, And Order the Clerk to Isue out Warrants Directed to the Conftables to Warn the freeholders and other Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs to Meet at the Publick Meeting houfe in s^{d} Town on Munday the

Eighteenth

[92] Eighteenth Day of Sepr. next at three of the Clock afternoon for ye Ends following vizt. (1) To Chofe a Moderator for Said Meeting. (2) To hear the Report of the Selectmen Relating to the Repairing of the Miniftral Houfe and Barn (3) For the Town to Manifest what Repairs Shall be Made to the Minifteral Houfe for the Security and Safe preferving of the Same, and that it may be more Comfortable for our Revrend Paftor. (4) Whereas the old Barn Standing on the Minifteral place is Very poor and judged not worth Repairing. To know the Mind of ye Town whether they will Build a New Barn on the Minifteral place for the Ufe thereof and if they See caufe to Build then to Determine on the Dementions that it Shall be off, and when to be finifhed.— And if the Town Shall Agree to Repair the Minifteral Houfe and Build a Barn as aboves^{d}. Then (5) to make a Grant of Money that Shall be judged Sufficient to Effect s^{d}. Repairs and Building, to be Afsefsed and Collected with all proper Speed, and to do any other thing or things that may be thought proper and Expedent, to forward s^{d}. Repairs and Building.

(6) Whereas there is a Small piece of Mowing Land &c to be Sold Adjoining to the Minifteral place, which is thought May

Accommodate the s^{d}. Miniſteral place, To know the Mind of the Town whether they will purchaſe the Same, or any part thereof, to be Laid to the Miniſteral Lot the better to Accomodate the Same, and to be for the Uſe of the Miniſtry, And for the Town to Act their Pleaſure relating thereunto, and if the Town See meet to purchaſe then to do any thing or things that may be Neceſsary to be done for the Effecting of the Same. (Warrants were Isued out Accordingly)—

Deacon Saml Fisk having Related to one or more of ye Selectmen that Mr Saml Coollidge Schoolmaſter (who some time since came to his houſe to Board) was So diſordred that He deſired that the Selectmen w^{ld}. take care to provide another place to board him at.

The Selectmen at this Meeting took this Matter relating to m^{r} Coollidge in to Conſideration and they are of Oppinion that m^{r} Coollidge at preſent is not capable of Managing the School as it ought to be. Therefore they Agree that the School be Shut up for the preſent, And if the s^{d}. Mr Coollidge Shall Continue uncapble of Keeping the School, then to proceed to provide Another Schoolmaſter. The Selectmen judging Mr Saml Whitney (with whom s^{d} Coollidge by agrm^{t} of ye selectmen formerly boarded) to be a perſon Very Sutable to take the care of ye s^{d}. Mr Coollidge under his preſent Circumſtances. The s^{d}. m^{r} Whitney having (when applyed to) manifeſted to Some of ye Selectmen that He w^{ld}. take the s^{d}. Mr Coollidge again upon Reaſonable Conſideration (having firſt a Tryal how he Conducts before he Concludes upon a Conſideration) The Selectmen Accordingly Agre'd that ye s^{d} Mr Coollidge S^{ld}. be put to ye s^{d} Mr Whitney to board and to be under his care. And under his preſent Circumſtances to be Reſtrained from Runing about from Houſe to Houſe which practice has been thought very hurtfull to him, and if no other Methods will prevail, then to reſtrain him by Chaining of him that So if poſsable He may be bro^{t} to his right Mind so as to be Servicable again. The Selectmen alſo Agree that s^{d}. Mr Whitney Shall be Reaſonably Satisfied by the Town for His care, trouble & Boarding ye s^{d}. Mr Coollidge. and that He take the care of ye s^{d} Mr Coollidge as aboves^{d} till further Order of ye Selectmen. The Selectmen Agree that what is juſtly due to Mr Coollidge for keeping the School for time paſt (after his Juſt debts are paid, for cloths taken up for him &c) be improved in Anſwering for his Board where it is already or hereafter may be due. and that ye Selectmen take ye Care to git him to ye s^{d}. Mr Whitneys to be under his care as aboves^{d}.

[93] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on the 19th. Day of Auguſt 1752 At m^{r} Jona^{n} Bemis's In order to treat wth. m^{r} Saml. Baldwin, to keep the Grammer and Engliſh School in Watertown (Mr Saml. Coollidge Continuing uncapable) M^{r}

Baldwin being preſent, The Selectmen Agreed with Him to keep s^{d}. School for one Quarter of a Year and to have as a Reward from the Town for his Service after the Rate of forty Pounds Pr Year Lawfull money, The s^{d}. Mr Baldwin to Board himſelf, and the Quarter to begin the Twenty fourth of this Inſtant August. To wch. ye s^{d}. Mr Saml. Baldwin Agre'd and Conſented. —

At a General Town meeting of ye Freeholders and other Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown Regulerly Aſsembled at ye Publick Meeting Houſe in S^{d}. Town on the Eighteenth Day of Sepr. AD. 1752.

Voted and Choſe Joseph Maſon Esqr Moderator of s^{d}. Meeting. Then the Selectmen made a Varble Report to ye Town Relating to the Miniſtral Houſe and Barn. After which

The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of ye Town that the Repairs to be done at the Miniſteral Houſe for the preſent be to New Cover or Shingle the Roof on the Backſide or Weſterly & Northerly Sides of ye Roof together with Mending the gutters and Windows. And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Then after the Matter was Debated relating to ye Barn on ye Miniſtral place.

The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of ye Town to build a New Barn on the Miniſteral place for ye Uſe thereof. And ye Vote paſt in ye Affirmative

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town that ye s^{d}. Barn to be Built on ye Miniſteral place shall be of ye following Dementions vizt. Thirty feet Square and fourteen feet Poſt. And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of the Town That S^{d}. Barn Should be Compleated and finiſhed by the firſt of June Next.

And ye Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Then the Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town To Grant the sum of forty Six pounds 13/4 Lawfull money for the Carrying on the Repairs and Building which the Town has Voted to be Done.

And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.—

Then upon Some Conſiderations a motion was made & Seconded to Adjourn this Meeting for a fortnight. Accordingly the Vote was put whether it is the Mind of the Town to Adjourn this Meeting and y^{e} Remaining buiſneſs to this Day fourtnight Three Clock Afternoon at this place.

And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

At a General Town Meeting on the Second Day of Octob^{r}: 1752 At y^{e} publick Meeting houſe by Adjournment.

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of y^{e} Town that the 46=13=.4 Granted the Laſt meeting on y^{e} 18th of Sepr Laſt paſt Shall be forth with Aſseſsed & Collected

And y^{e} Vote paſt in y^{e} Negative

The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of y^e^ Town, To Appropriate y^e^ following Sums of money to be Improved for the Repairing the Miniſteral Houſe and Building a Barn on ye Miniſtral place as Voted by the Town ye Laſt Meeting on ye 18^t.h^ of Sepr Laſt. Viz^t^. Two Province Bills which were paid into the Treaſurey, by m^r^ John Hunt Laſt May Meeting vizt. one of 20 Dollers, the other of 28 Dolers & ⅔ amounting to fourteen pounds Twelve Shillings. alſo the Sixteen pounds in Col. W^m^. Brattles Hands belonging to the Town which was fines paid to him by Men Impreſt by his order vizt. W^m^. Coollidge Nehemiah Maſon & Silas Bright. alſo Two pounds 13/4 of what Remains of what was Rec^d^. of Col^l^. Brattle of fines before the Above mentioned. alſo four pounds 18/8 due to the Town from the Truſtees. alſo a Note in the Treaſurey given by Mr Henry Spring of 13/4 Alſo a Bond of Mr Jona^n^. Bemis of four pounds 6/8 all mounting to fourty three pounds 4/ Lawfull money and to be paid by order of ye Selectmen for ye above Service. And ye Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

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[94] The Vote was put whether it is the mind of the Town That the Sum of Three Pounds Nine Shillings & four pence Lawfull Money be paid out of the Treaſurey to Compleat the forty Six pounds 13/4 Granted for the Repairing the Miniſteral Houſe and building a Barn on ye Miniſteral place. And ye Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of the Town to Chooſe a Committee to take Effectual Care and See to the Repairing of ye Miniſteral Houſe and the Building of a Barn on the Miniſteral place as Voted to be done; and they to Uſe their best Skill and Care, and take Such Methods for the Accompliſhing of the Same as in their Judgm^t^. Shall be moſt for the Towns Intreſt.

And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Voted and Choſe the preſent Selectmen to be the Commtee for ye Ends aboves^d^.

Then the Sixth Article in the Warrant was Red to the Town; and after Debate thereon.

The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of the Town to Chooſe a Committee to Enquire what the Land Mentioned in s^d^ Article may be had for and Make Report at next March Meeting. and ye Vote paſt in ye Negative

Then the Vote was put whether it is the mind of the Town to purchaſe s^d^. piece of Land referred to in s^d^ Sixth Article.

And the Vote paſt in the Negative

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at Jonas Bonds Esqr. on the 26th of Novr. 1752.

The Selectmen Agreed and Defired m^{r} Jona^{n}. Bemis to Cart some Gravil as Soon as may be on to ye Great Bridge

The Selectmen Defired Joseph Mafon & Jonas Bond to go to Mr Saml Coollidges and See after the Towns Amminifion Lodged there and See and Stur the Powder, and Defire m^{r} Coollidge to take good care of ye s^{d}. Powder and to turn it once a month or at left once in two months and to be reafonably Satisfyed for his trouble. —

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houfe of Joseph Mafon Esqr. on the on the firft Day of Decr. AD. 1752. Some of ye Rails and Posts of ye Great Bridge being brok down, Agreed that m^{r} Benjn. Haftings be Defired forthwith to put up Pofts and Rails where they be wanting. Defired m^{r} Jona^{n} Bemis to See & procure Stuff for the same. and Afsift m^{r} Hafting in puting them up.

The Wid^{w}. Webb wanting 2 Aprons & a wefcot & p^{r} of shoo's Agreed that Mrs Coollidge be Defired to get her a Waftcoat and two Aprons. & Defired Joseph Mafon to procure her a p^{r} of shoos. Ordred the Treafurer to furnifh m^{rs} Coollidge with money to procure ye Waftcoat & Aprons.

At s^{d}. Meeting it was Agreed by ye Maj^{r}. part of ye Selectmen to try Mr Saml Coollidge once more in the School He appearing to be very well Compofed again, and it is hopefull he may anfwer the end of a Schoolmafter. Agreed to meet again at m^{r} Bemis the fourth Day of this Inftant Decemb^{r}. at four of ye clock afternoon and ye Selectmen Defired Mr Bemis to Aquaint M^{r}. Coollidge that ye Selectmen Defire that He w^{ld}. be prefent at s^{d} meeting.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at m^{r} Jona^{n}. Bemis on the 4th. of Decr. A.D. 1752 Mr Saml. Coollidge was prefent, and the Selectmen gave him a thorough talk relating to his paft Conduct, and what He might Expect if he did not behave well in the School for the future, they Declared unto him that they put him into the School again for Tryal with out Setting any time and if he behaved well He S^{ld}. not be wronged, and that He was to begin the School the Eleventh Day of this Decr. Mr Coollidge Complained that He wanted a winter Coat. Defired m^{r} Bemis to git him a Bare Skin Coat and git Mr Meed to make it. And to give ye Selectmen an Acc^{t}. thereof—

[95] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at Joseph Harringtons on the 31st. of January 1753. The Selectmen Signed an Order Dated ye 4 of Decr 1752 for the payment of m^{r} Dan^{ll}. Baldwin the Sum of Ten pounds for keeping the School three months.

Ordred the paym^{t}. of Ten Pounds Twelve Shillings for Metearls and work, for the repairing the Minifteral Houfe So far as it has been Reparied.

The Selectmen being Informed and Notifyed that there are Several perfons come to Refide in Watertown vizt. one Ann Mickel

a Diſtracted Woman Taken in by m^{r} James Baily who came laſt from Boston abo^{t}. ye Second of Decemb^{r}. Laſt alſo Two Children vizt. John Sloper & Olive Sloper taken in by Ebenezer Thatcher who came Laſt from Boston & came to him the 22 of Decemb^{r}. Laſt

Alſo the Wid^{w}. Abigail Richardſon and her Son Abijah Richardſon they were taken in by Ezra Richardſon who lives in a Houſe belonging to John Kembal jun^{r}. the s^{d}. Wid^{w}. Came Laſt from Lexington Some time in May Laſt and the s^{d}. Abijah came Laſt from as ye s^{d} Kembal Informed the Selectmen. The Selectmen Refuſing to Accept of the above Named Perſons to be Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown They Accordingly Ordred the Clerk to Isue out a Warrant Directed to one of ye Conſtables to Warn the Perſons above Named to Depart out of Watertown.

Whereas the Selectmen has hereto fore Ordred the Treaſurer to pay what was Due to m^{r} Saml Coollidge for keeping the School one Year to the 20th. of April Laſt paſt to him or his order. But the Circumſtances of ye s^{d} Coollidge has been such Since s^{d} order was given, that the Selectmen do now Agree and order the Treaſurer not to Anſwer any order of ye s^{d}. Coollidge or Acc^{t}. before He firſt Lay the Same before ye Selectmen for their Approbation. The Selectmen Agreed that Jonas Coollidge be paid out of what is Due to his Brother Saml. for what He procured for him, and that M^{r}. Jona^{n}. Bemis be paid for what He got by order of ye Selectmen at m^{r} Goulds for s^{d}. Coollidge and that Dea^{n}. Saml. Fisk be paid his Acc^{t}. of Three pounds Eight Shillings & 8^{d}3/4 out of w^{t} is Due to s^{d}. Coollidge if Enough remains, or so far as it will go towards s^{d}. Acc^{t}.

The Selectmen Agree to meet again on the Twelf Day of Feb^{ry}: Next at Mr John Hunts at four clok after noon. Mr Joseph Harrington was Deſired to aquaint m^{r} Joſiah Stearns, that ye Selectmen deſire that H^{e} w^{ld}. meet with them at s^{d}. time & place.

> The Clerk Isued out a Warrant to warn the above named perſons to Depart out of Watertown all but Ann Mickel who Deceaſed before the warrant was Sent to the Officer—

[96] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at m^{r}. John Hunts on ye 12th. Day of Feby. 1753

The Selectmen Ordred the Clerk to Isue out Warrants Directed to the Conſtables of Watertown for the Warning of a Town Meeting of ye Inhab^{ts}. of said Town to be on the fifth Day of March Next at 9 of the Clock in the morning at the Publick Meeting Houſe in s^{d}. Town for the Ends following. vizt. (1) To Chooſe a Moderator (2) To Chooſe Selectmen a Town Clerk & Treaſurer a Conſtable or Conſtables Aſseſsors & all Such other

Town Officers as by Law are to be choſen in the month of March Annually (3) To Chooſe a Saxton. and agree how he Shall be Satisfyed for his Service. (4) To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer. (5) To know the mind of the Town whether Swine Shall run at Large this Year under the regulations of ye Law in such caſe. (6) To Hear The Town Treaſurers Acc^ts^. and for the Town to paſs upon them. (7) For the Town to Appropriate their Intreſt Money Coming to the Town this preſent Year the year beginning the Eleventh of December Laſt. (8) For the Town to Grant an Honourable Salary for ye Rev^d^. Mr Storer for the Year Enſuing the year beginning the firſt Day of March Next. (9) To Grant Money for the Support of the Grammer & Engliſh School for this preſent Year. (10) To grant Money for the Support of the poor this preſent Year. (11) To hear the Acc^ts^. of thoſe Perſons to whom the Town is Indebted, and to Grant Money to pay & Satisfy ye Same (12) To Grant Money for the Repairs of ye Meeting houſe (13) To Grant Money for the Repairing of ye Great Bridge in s^d^. Town. (14) To know whether the Town will mend the High Ways and Town Ways by Rate Aſseſt on the Ratable Inhab^ts^. & Estates this preſent Year. and if the Town See Cauſe to Come into this Method, then to Make a Sutable Grant of Money for the Same, and that Perſons have the Liberty to work out what they shall be aſseſt at for y^t^ Service (if they See meet) provided it be work't out within the Year at such prizes for Men and Teems as the Town Shall Agree upon; And to Chooſe the Surveyers of High Ways to be the Collectors of Said Rate or to See y^t^ it be faithfully work't out within the Year in the Way and Manner y^t^ the Town Shall or may Agree upon. (15) To hear the Report of the Selectmen referring to the Land that the Town Impowred them to Sell Lying by the Mill Crick &c. (16) To hear the Requeſts of Some of the Conſtables relating to some perſons Rates in their Lists. and for the Town to Act their pleaſure wth. Relation thereto. (17) To know the mind of the Town whether they will Leaſe out the Little Island be low the Mill and other banks and Landing places by the River belonging to the Town (wch. were leaſed out ye Laſt Year) for one or more Years as the Town may Agree upon; and if the Town See Meet to Let out the same, Then to Chooſe a Committee for y^t^ End.

And to Order the Conſtables to Notify Such Perſons to whom the Town is Indebted to bring in their Acc^ts^. to ye Selectmen at the Houſe of ye Wid^w^. Mary Learneds on Wedneſday the 28th. of Feby. Currant at three of the Clock After Noon in Order to there being Laid before the Town At their Annual Meeting.
And alſo to Notify the Surveyers of High Ways who were Collectors to meet ye Selectmen on the s^d^. 28th. Day of Feby. in Order to make up their Acc^ts^. with the Selectmen.

Ordred the Clerk to Isue out a Warrant to Warn one Daniel Peirce to Depart out of Watertown the Selectmen Refuſing to Accept of him to be An Inhabt. in Watertown. He came Laſt from Waltham Abot. April or May Laſt.

A Warrant was Isued out Accordingly. ——

[97] At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of ye Widw. Mary Learned on the 28th. Day of Feby. 1753. For the Taking in of ye Acct. of thoſe Perſons the Town is indebted to. The Accts. Taken in are as follows. vizt.

Docter Joſiah Convers for Looking after the Widow Webb in the Time of her Sickneſs in ye Year 1751		00=18=00
Jonan Bemis for Three Days work of his Teem and 4 Days ½ of a Man carting Gravil to ye Great Bridg 13/4 And for Moving Timbr. out of ye County Rode 1/1		..—14—.5
Benjn. Haſtings for work & Care of ye Great Bridge puting up new poſts & Rails and repeted mending in the Year 1752		.1=12—..
Edward Harrington for 2 Days work of a Teem 3 Days ½ of a man and 2 Days of a Lad, Carting Gravel to ye Great Bridge	12/7	..=18=.8
for haling Timber out of ye Road 2/1		
for Stones for a Bridge 4/	6/1	
Nathl. Harrington Aſſeſſor for Help making the Town Rate taking and perfecting the Invoice Making ye Province & County Rates		..=13=.4
Saml. Coollidge Aſſeſſor for the Like Service	13=4	..—16=..
& for Stones for a Bridge	.2—8	
Capt David Baldwin for 115 feet of Slitwork for ye Great Bridge		..=.5 =.5
Joseph Peters for mending ye School houſs lock & making a key		..—.1 =.4
David Livermore for Doggs for ye Great Bridge & Speeks 1—6— and for Staples for ye School houſe Door 3d ½ & for a Chain & Staples for ye Towns us 1/6—	1/9 ½	..—.3=3½
Joseph Maſon Esqr. Aſſeſſor for helping making all the Rates for the Year 1752		..—13—.4
For Warrant to warn out Lydia Murch Service & Entering Caution		..—.2 = 1
For a pr of Shoos for ye Widw: Webb		..—.4—..
		..=19=.5
Joseph Harrington Caſh paid for ye Mending the School houſe Chair		..—.1=11

Sam[l] Jenifon for Haling out Timb[r]. out of y[e] High Way		..—.3=.3
Jonas Coollidge for fifteen feet of Timb[r]. for Smelt Brok Bidge	..—.9—..	
for 145 feet of 2 inch ½ Plank at 20/ P hundred	.1—.9—..	
for Six feet of Timb[r]. for y[e] Great Bridge	..—.3=.0	.2=.1—..
		£.9=.8=..½

Two Survers Appered at the aboves[d]. Meeting viz[t] Capt John Brown and M[r] W[m]. Coollidge But Neither of them made up y[r] Acc[ts]. as Collectors they Each Said they had almoft Work't out their Rates & wo[ld]. see it done this Spring. —

[98] At a General Town Meeting of the Freehold[rs] & other Inhab[ts]: of Watertown Regulerly Afsembled and Meet together at the Publick Meeting Houfe in s[d]. Town on the fifth Day of March AD. 1753. for the Choice of Town Officers, and other Town Concerns. to be Acted upon.

1. Voted and Chofe Jonas Bond Esq[r]. to be Moderator for s[d] Meeting.

Voted and Chofe for Selectmen { Joseph Mason Esq[r]
Jonas Bond Esq[r].
Enf[n]. Jona[n]. Bemis
Corn[t]. Edw[d]. Harrington
Deacon Sam[l]. Fifk }

Voted and Chofe Joseph Mafon Esq[r]. Town Clerk
Voted and Chofe Joseph Mafon Esq[r]. Town Treafurer.
Voted and Chofe Samuel Whitney firft Conftable [*]
Voted and Chofe Jona[n]. Learned 2[d] Conftable. who made his pleas & afked y[e] favour of the Town to releafe & Difmifs him from being Conftabl

The was put whether it is the Mind of y[e] Town to Difmifs Jonatha Learned from Serving as Conftable this Year. and the Vote paft in the Affirmative.

Voted and Chofe John Sawin to be 2[d] Conftable, who said he w[ld]. Serve.

Voted and Chofe for Afsefsors— { Joseph Mafon Esq[r]
Nath[l]. Bright
Sam[l]. Fisk }

Voted and Chofe Isaac Sanderfon Sealer of Leather.

Voted and Chofe for fence Viewers { Isarel Mead
Jona[n]. Brown jun[r]. }

Voted and Chofe for Surveyers of High Ways { Jonathan Stone jun[er]
Sam[l]. Coollidge jun[r]. }

* Undecipherable.

Voted and Choſe for Tythingmen { David Livermore / Saml. Jeniſon }

Voted and Choſe for Hogrieves { John Gale / Saml. Nutting jun^r. }

Voted and Choſe for Meaſ^rs. and Survey^rs. of Timb^r plank boards Slitwork Clabboards Shingles { Jonas Coollidge / Bezaleel Learned }

Voted and Choſe for Hawards { Thomas Clark / Saml. Warrin jun^r. }

Voted and Choſe Saml. Cook Gager of Caſk.

Voted and Choſe W^m. Gammage Culler of Hoops & Staves

Voted and Choſe for Deer rieves { Thomas Saltmarſh / Capt. David Baldwin }

Voted and choſe Samuel Stratton Saxton.

Voted to give him for his Service Two Contrabutions as uſul wch. he Accepted.

Then the Votes was bro^t in for a County Treaſ^r. & Deli^d to a Conſtable

The Vote was put whether Swine Should Run at Large this preſent Year under the Regulations in the Law in such caſe. And y^e Vote paſt in y^e Affirmative

Then

[99] Then the Town Treaſurers Acc^ts. were Laid before the Town & Red And it Appeared by the Acc^t. that there w^ld. be in the Treaſurey when All out Standing was paid in by y^e Conſtables y^e Sum of £260=2=.6½

by y^e Said Acc^t. It Appeared that y^r was paid out of the Treaſurey P order the Sum of 171=.3=.8¾

that there was in the Treaſury one Province Note .8—12=.6

that there was Out Standing in the Conſtables hands 80—.6=.3½

£260=.2=.6½

The Vote was Put whether the Town Accept and Alow the Treaſures Acc^t. and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative. —

Then the Acc^t of Intreſt mony was Red and it Appeared by the Acc^t. that the Treaſurer had Rec^d of Intreſt money 28=13=.2

And that He had paid to ward y^e Support of the Miniſtry & School the Sum of 28=13=.2

The was put whether the Town Accept and Alow this Acc^t. Vote paſt in y^e Affirm^t.

Voted and Appropriated the Intreſt money Coming to the Town this Year y^e Year beginning y^e Eleventh of Decr Laſt viz

£15—.4—.. towards Mr Storers Salary, and £15—.1—.8 toward the School
Voted and Granted for ye Rev^{d}. Mr Storers Salary for the preſent Year the Sum of Sixty Six pounds 13/4 the 15—.4—.. of ye Intreſt money to be a part thereof and the Reſt to be Aſseſt.
Voted for the Support of ye Grammer & Engliſh School for this preſent Year the Sum of forty Pounds the 15—.1—.8 of y^{e} Intreſt money to be a part thereof the Remainder to be Aſseſt.
Voted and Granted the Sum of Sixteen pounds for y^{e} Support of y^{e} poor this Year
Then the Accounts of those perſons to whom the Town was Indebted was Laid be for y^{e} Town and Alowed amounting to y^{e} sum of £9=.8—..½.
Voted and Granted the Sum of Nine pounds Eight Shillings & 2 farthings to Satisfy and pay s^{d}. Accounts. —
Voted and Granted the Sum of Two pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence to Satisfy and pay the Clerk & Treaſurer for his Service for the Year 1752
Voted and Granted for the Repairs of y^{e} Meeting houſe £2—13=4. —
Voted and Granted y^{e} Sum of four pounds for y^{e} Repairs of y^{e} Great Bridge
The Vote was put whether it is the mind of y^{e} Town to mend the High Ways & Town Ways by a Rate this preſent Year. Vote paſt in the Affirmative.
Voted and Granted the Sum of forty Pounds for the Mending the High=Ways and Town Ways to be Aſseſt on y^{e} Ratable Poles & Estates in y^{e} Town
The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of y^{e} Town that the Price of Labour in Mending the High ways and Town ways be four Shillings & Nine pence ½ for a man and Teem a Day. and a Single man two shillings 4^{d} ¾ a Day And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.
Voted and Choſe Meſsu^{rs}. Saml. Coollidge jun^{r}. & Jona^{n}. Stone jun^{r}. who are the p^{r}ſent Surveyers of High Ways to be the Collectors of s^{d}. Rate or Grant, or to See that it be faithfully worked out with in the Year at the prices the Tow has Set and to make up y^{r} Acc^{ts}. with the Selectmen.

The Selectmen made y^{r} Varble Report to ye Town That according to ye truſt Repoſed in them they had Sold a piece of Land by the Mill Crick to Nathl. Harris Esqr. for ye Sum of Thirty Six pound Lawfull money, He being the Higheſt bidder and for which he gave his Bond to ye Town Treaſurer. and the Selectmen as a Com^{tee}. had given him a Deed in behalf of y^{e} Town accordin to Vote of y^{e} Town.

Then

[100] Then Several Conſtables made their pleas to Abate and Sink Several Perſons Rates in their Lists. vizt.

Jonas Coollidge Late Conſtable Pleaded Abatment^{t}. of all Isaac Holdins Rates in his Lists amounting in Lawfull money to ..—.6=.1
alſo all Benjn. Bonds Rates in his Liſt amounting to ..—.6—.4
alſo John Randels Rate ..—.1—.10
Alſo Josiah Wards Rates in his List amounting to ..—.6—.4

1—.. —.7

The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of the Town to Sink Isaac Hodens Benjn. Bonds John Randals & Josiah Ward's Rates in Jonas Coollidges Lifts—and the Vote past in the Affirmative
Voted and Granted to Jonas Coollidge the Sum of Twenty Shillings and Seven pence to make good what was Sunk in his Lists of Rates.

Saml. Cook Late Conſtable pleaded Abatm^{t}. of Joseph Maſon jun^{r}. Town Rate 5/4 he having paid ye Same Year at Concord 5—.4
Alſo Joel Whitemors Rate 5—.4

10—.8

Voted and Sunk in Saml. Cooks Liſt of Rates Joseph Maſon jun^{r} & Joel Whitemors Rates, and Granted the Sum of Ten Shillings, & Eight pence to Saml Cook to Supply what was Sunk — Nathanael Stone Late Conſtable pleaded Abatment of Daniel Peirces Province & County Rates in his Liſt (He having paid in Waltham the Same Year) being Ten Shillings Lawfull money. Voted and Abated Daniel Pearces Rates in Nathl. Stones Liftes, and Granted the Sum of Ten Shillings to said Stone to Satisfy the same.
The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of ye Town to Let the Little Island below the Mill and the other banks and Landing places (which were Let to Bez^{l}. Learned Laſt Year) for one year. and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.
Voted to Chooſe a Committee to Let out the Little Island banks & Landing places for one Year.
Voted and Choſe Meſsu^{rs}. Joſeph Harringtone Saml. Fisk and Jona^{n}. Bemis to be a Committee for the Ends above Said. —

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Wid^{w}. Mary Learneds on ye 9th Day of March AD. 1753. The Selectmen vizt. Joseph Mason & Jonas Bond Esq^{rs}. Enſ^{n}. Jonathan Bemis Corn^{t}. Ed^{w}. Harrington & Deacon Saml. Fiske took the Oath precibed in ye Act for Calling in the Province Bills &c. chap X Page 384
The Several Perſons under named after they had taken the Oath aboves^{d}. were Sworn to their Reſpective Offices vizt.

Joseph Maſon Esqr. To the Office of Town Treaſurer Town Clerk and Aſseſsor.
Saml. Whitney to the office of Conſtable. John Sawin jun^{r}. who was Choſen Conſtable. Appeared and Declared that He had Agreed with Saml. Stratton to Serve Conſtable in his Room if the Town w^{ld}. Accept of him and Deſired the favour that it might be Laid before the Town at y^{r} Next Meeting. Said Stratton being preſent Declared that He w^{ld} Serve Conſtable in the Room of m^{r} Sawin if if the Town w^{ld}. Accept of Him So ye matter was greed on to be laid before ye Town
Deacon Saml. Fisk to ye office of Aſseſsor
Jona^{n}. Brown jun^{r}. to ye office of Fence View^{r}.
Saml. Coollidge to the offices of Survey^{r}. & Collector
John Gale — — } to ye office of Hogrieve
Samuel Nutting jun^{r} }
Jonas Collidge } to the Office of Survey^{r}. of Timb^{r} plank &c.
Bez^{l}. Learned }
Thos Clark } to ye Office of Haward
Saml. Warrin jun^{r} }
Saml. Cook Gager of Caſk
W^{m}. Gamage to ye office of Culler of hoops &c

Whereas

[101] Whereas there has been great Diſorders by Perſons Laying down Timber in the Country Roads on both Sides of the River whereby Charge has been bro^{t}. on the Town as well as the Town in Danger of preſentment. for remedy whereof. The Selectmen Agre'd to Deſire Capt. David Baldwin Mr Cornelius Waldo, m^{r} David Livermore & m^{r} John Cook to take perticuler Notice who the Perſons are that Lay down Timber on said Roads and take Such Evidence thereof whereby Such Perſons may be Convicted. And Aquaint the Selectmen thereof, who Agree to preſent Such Perſon or Perſons, in ord^{r}. to prevent Such Diſorder and Charge.

At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of Joseph Mason's on ye 27th Day of March AD. 1753. — At s^{d} Meeting the Selectmen took into Conſideration Several Acc^{ts}. Relating to what has been done for Mr Saml. Coollidge preſent Schoolmaſter.

Viz^{t}. Deacon Saml. Fisks Acc^{t}. for boarding s^{d}. Coollidge in the Year 1751. And y^{e} Selectmen Ordred the payment of w^{t} Still remains Due to him vizt. £.2=.4=.2

Samuel Whitneys Acc^{t}. for Boarding s^{d}. Coollidge three Months at 5/4 P^{r} week	£3=.9 =.4	
And Six months more to y^{e} 19th. of Feby. 1753 at 6 /P week	7=16=..	
And for Sundrys procured & done for him y^{e} s^{d}. Coollidge	..—12=.5	
		£11=17=.9

Israel Meads Acct. for Making Sundry Cloths for sd. Coollidge the Selectmen Alow'd & ordred the Ballance to be paid to sd. Meads wch: is £.2=10=.8
Edmund Foul for a pr of Shoos for Sd. Coollidge 6/ Ordred ye paymt of Six Shillings to sd. Fowl ..=.6 =..
Nathl. Brights Acct. for mending shoos for sd Coollidge 3/9 Ordred ye paymt. ..—.3 =.9
John Remingtons Acct. for Sundry Smal things the sd. Coollidge had of him Alow'd and ordred the paymt. of sd Acct. to mr Remington wh. is ..—.1 —.4
Mr Goulds Acct. 5/4. Mr Thos: Saltmarshes Acct. 1/6 Alow'd & ordred ye paymt of both ..—.6 —10
Agreed that the above Acct. be paid out of ye Grants made for the Support of the School And to be Charged to ye sd. Saml. Coollidges Acct. to be Deducted out of his wages for keeping the School.

Agreed that the Districts of the Surveyers of ye High ways be as follow's vizt. Mr Saml. Coollidge Surveyer his District to be all the High Ways and Town ways East of that Town Way wch. Leads a Cross the Town by ye Meeting house down to Cambridge Line. And the South part of sd. Lane up to the Meeting house. —

Mr Jonathan Stone junr. Surveyer His District to be all the High Ways & Town Ways West of ye Lane that Leads across the Town by the Meeting hous down to Cambridge Line with those On ye South Side of the River, and the North part of sd Cross Lane from the Meeting house. —

Agreed that Mr Benjamin Hastings be Desired to take the Care of the Great Bridge as he has done for Years past and & bring in his Acct. to ye Selectmen at the close of ye Year. —

Agre'd to Meet on the 23d Day of April Next Two Clock after Noon at mr Richd. Cuttings in Waltham in ordr. to Adjust the Acct. with the Selectmen of Waltham Relating to the poor Supported by both Towns and Desired the Clerk to Notify ye Selectmen of Waltham to meet them at time and place for ye Ends proposed.

This Meeting being the time Appointed for the Boarding out the Widw. Webb Notice thereof being given, There appeared at sd. Meeting Capt. John Taynter Messrs. Simon Coollidge & Isaac Sanderson, who Each of them Offered to take sd. Widow And board her and take good Care of Her for ye Space of one Year from the

Second

[102] Second Day of April Next (if She Survive) at Two Shillings & Eleven pence pr week and if any thing Extraordinary sld. happen by Sickness or any other Disasture to be alow'd Reasonable Satisfaction. The Sd. Widw. to Choose which of the three

places She Shall Remove to this the s^{d}. Taynter Coollidge & Sanderſon Offered & Concented to. The Selectmen Cloſing with the offer, were to inquire of ye s^{d}. Wid^{w}. and give Notice to wch. place She Chuſes to goe.
The Selectmen Appointed Enf^{n}. Jona^{n}. Bemis & Cor^{t}. Ed^{w}. Harrington to go to s^{d}. wid^{w}. to know her mind, and give Notice to the perſon to whom She Chuſes to go to Board with. And the Perſon She gos to Board with upon his taking her Boarding and looking well After her to be Intitled to 2/11 Pr Week as aboves^{d}. to be paid by the Town.—
At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown on ye 9th. Day of April 1753 at ye Wid^{w}. Mary Learneds. This being the Year for Preambulating on the Lines between Towns &c.

The Selectmen Appointed Cor^{t}. Edwd. Harrington and Deacon Saml. Fisk to preambulate and Renew the Marks on the Lines between Watertown & the Adjacent Towns.—Ordred that a Load of wood be procured for the Wid^{w}. Grover and sent to her and to be paid for out of ye Town Treaſurey.
At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown and Waltham at Rich^{d}. Cuttings in Waltham on the 23^{d} Day of April 1753. The Acc^{t}. of the poor, (Exclusive of ye Wid^{w}. Maddocks Charge) was Adjuſted. As by the Acc^{t}. on file, and as Recorded at Length in Lib^{r}. 2 Page 58, In the Treaſurey.—

Gentlemen Watertown April 11th. 1753. —

We the Subſcribers Aſseſsors for the Town of Watertown aboves^{d}. have Aſseſt upon the Ratable Poles and Eſtates of s^{d}. Town the Sum of forty Pounds Lawfull money being the grant Made the Laſt March Meeting for the Mending of y^{e} High Ways and Town Ways and have Committed Lists of y^{e} Same to the Several Collectors who are alſo Surveyors of y^{e} High Ways; vizt.

Aſseſsors Certificat } To m^{r} Saml Coollidge Collector the Sum of £17=.2—..

And To m^{r} Jona^{n}. Stone Collector the Sum of £22—18—..
with Warrants to Collect the Same, or See that it be worked out Agrable to the Vote of the Town, So as to make up y^{r} Acc^{ts}. with the Selectmen of s^{d}. Town on or before the firſt Day of Feby. Next Enſuing the Date hereof—

Joseph Mason
To ye Selectmen of Watertown Saml. Fisk
Nathl. Bright. /

[103] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of Jonas Bond Esqr. on the 7th. of May 1753.

The Selectmen Having Rec^{d}. a preceipt Requiring them to Aſsemble the Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown Quallified, to Elect and

Depute a Perſon to Repreſent them at a Great and General Court or Aſsembly to be holden at ye Court houſe in Boston on the 30th. Day of May Currant.—Accordingly

Ordred the Clerk to Isue out a Warrant Directed to the Conſtable of s^d^. Town Requiring him forthwith to Warn the freehold^rs^. and other Inhab^ts^. of s^d^ Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative, to Aſsemble & Meet at the Publick Meeting Houſe in s^d^ Town on Wedneſday the 23 Day of May Currant at three of ye Clock afternoon Then and there to Elect and Depute one Sutable Perſon to Serve for and Repreſent them in a Great and General Court or Aſsembly Appointed to be Convened held & kept, for his Majestys Service at the Court houſe in Boston upon Wedneſday the 30th. Day of May Currant. hereof fail not—

And alſo to order the s^d^. Constable to Warn the freehold^rs^. and other Inhab^ts^. of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs to meet at ye Publick Meeting Houſe in s^d^ Town on Wedneſday the 23^d^ Day of May Currant at four of ye Clock afternoon for ye Ends following vizt. 1^ly^. To Choſe a Moderator for s^d^. Meeting.—Whereas Mr John Sawin jun^r^. who was Choſe a Conſtable at ye Annual Meeting in March Laſt, has Agre'd wth. Mr Saml. Stratton to Serve in his Room if the Town Alow & Accept of Him—Therefore

2^ly^. To know the Mind of ye Town whether they Do Accept of m^r^ Sam^ll^ Stratton to be Conſtable for the preſent Year in ye Room of ye s^d^. John Sawin jun^r^.—

—Whereas there has been diſputes between the Selectmen of Watertown and the Selectmen of Waltham Relating to the Charge that Watertown has been at for ye Wid^w^. Mary Maddocks Since the Town Was Divided the Selectmen of Waltham Objecting againſt their Town paying their Proportion of ye Charge Watertown has been at for ye s^d^ Maddocks Making this their plea That ye s^d^ Maddocks is a Perſon whom by ye Articles of Agreem^t^. at ye Diviſion of ye Town Waltham has no Relation to or Concern for.—Therefore

3^ly^. For the Town to hear the whole Affair Relating to the Wid^w^. Maddocks And to Manafest their Minds whether they will Diſpute the Affair in the Law, or take any other Methods to put an End to the Diſputes. And accordingly to paſs any Vote or Votes do any thing or things, Relating to ye s^d^. Wid^w^. and the Charge the Town has been at for her that they Shall think proper to Do in Said Affair.—

—4^ly^. To know the mind of ye Town whether they will Raise a Bounty upon Blackbirds heads and Mouſe Squarriells heads for this preſent Year for the Incouragging the killing of them (great damage having been done by them in Years paſt) that further Damage may be prevented, (this Article being inſerted by a Numb^r^. of ye Inhab^ts^. of ye Town) And if the Town is of ye Mind to to Incourrage the killing of s^d^ Birds & Squarriels Then

to paſs Such Vote or Votes relating thereunto as the Town Shall think prop^{r} and Convenant.—

—5^{ly}. To hear the Petition of m^{r} Saml. Jeniſon praying the Town to grant him the Liberty of Hanging a great Gate acroſs the Town Way Leading from Bank lane Down to the River Near the fifth ware, and for ye Town to Act their pleaſure thereupon.

At this Meeting ye Aſseſsors made return to ye Selectmen That they had Aſseſt ye Ratable Inhab^{ts}. of s^{d}. Town to the High way Rate, as by ye Return may more fully Appear wch. Return was Rec^{d}. and ordred the Clerk to record ye same, in ye Town Records. (See Page 102)

Preambulators

Corn^{t}. Edwd. Harrington & Deacon Saml Fisk who were Appointed to preambulate &c this preſent Year. Made their Varble Return that they had meet with Perſons Appointed by the Adjacent Towns, and with them had preambulated & Renew'd the Markes on the Lines between Watertown and the Adjacent Towns.—

[104] At a General Town Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative Regulerly Aſsembled and Met together at the Publick Meeting houſe in s^{d}. Town on the 23^{d} Day of May AD. 1753 for ye Choice of a Repreſentative

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Send a Perſon to Repreſent them at ye General Court.—And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

Then upon a motion made and Seconded a previous Vote was put vizt.

Whether it is the Mind of ye Town that the perſon who Shall be Choſen to Repreſent the Town at the General Court, That without He upon his being Choſen shall immediately declare that He will Serve the Town gratis, or that if he Shall Receive any wages for his Service, that He will pay the Same into the Town Treaſurey for the Uſe of ye Town and without He do thus Declare his Choice to be look't upon as Null and Void, And the Town proceed to a nother Choice, and so till one Accept on said Terms.—And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Voted and Choſe Mr John Hunt to Repreſent the Town of Watertown at the General Court or Aſsembly Appointed to be Convened and held at Boston on the 30th. of this Inſtant May.—who Declared that He Accepted of the Choice on the Conditions which the Town Voted in the Above previous Vote and Emmediately took ye Oath relating to the calling in of ye Bills of Credit. &c.——

At a General Town Meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs

Regulerly Aſsembled at ye Publick Meeting Houſe in s^d^ Town on the 23^d^ Day of May 1753. for the Tranſacting thoſe Town Affairs mentioned in the Warrant for Warning of s^d^. Meeting.—

Voted and Choſe Joseph Maſon Esqr. Moderator of s^d^. Meeting.—

The Vote was put Whether it is the Mind of ye Town to Accept of m^r^ Samuel Stratton to be Conſtable in the Room & Stead of Mr John Sawin juner who the Town Choſe to ye office of Conſtable ye Laſt Annual Meeting, And that the s^d^. Sawin be Diſmiſt from serving, and that ye S^d^. Stratton Serve Conſtable for ye preſent Year and till a nother be Choſe and Sworn in his Room. and ye Vote paſt in ye Affirmative.

—And ye s^d^ Stratton immediatly took the Oath Relating to ye Calling in ye Bills of Credit &c. and alſo took the oath of Conſtable.—

The the 3^d^. Article in ye Warrant Relating to ye Wid^w^. Mary Maddocks was Red and after Debate thereon. The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Chooſe a Committee to make the beſt inquirey relating to the s^d^. Wid^w^. And if s^d^ Com^tee^: upon inquirey shall find Such proofs that ye s^d^ Maddocks was out of Watertown when it was Divided as they shall Judge Sufficient to perſue s^d^. Affair in the Law, That s^d^ Committee be and is hereby Impowred upon good Adviſe to purſue s^d^. Affair relating to the Charge of s^d^. Wid^w^. in the Law with Waltham to Effect, in the Name & behalf of Watertown And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative

Voted and Choſe Capt. John Brown Mr John Hunt & Jonas Bond Esqr. to be a Committee for ye Ends aboves^d^.

The fourth Article red and after Conſideration thereon, The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to grant a Bounty to Incourage ye Killing of Black birds and Mouſe Squarrills.— And ye Vote paſt in the Negative.

The 5th. Article Red, relating to a Petition of m^r^ Saml. Jeniſon &c. But Mr Jeniſon not being preſent, nor any Petition Lodged wth. ye Selectmen or preſented to ye Town therefore this Article was Diſmiſt—

[105] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on the 25th. of June at Thos: Saltmarſhes—

The Selectmen Conſidred the Liſt of Licenced perſon vizt. Thos. Saltmarſh David Coollidge & Mary Learned Inhold^rs^. John Hunt Cornelius Waldo David Baldwin & John Remington Retalers. And had no objection againſt their having their Licences Renewed Again this Year.

July 19th. 1753 At a Meeting of ye Selectmen (when ye Miniſteral Barn was Raiſed) Ordred ye Town Clerk to Isue out a Warrant to Warn one Anna Blanchard who Came from Con-

cord and is an Inhab^{t}. there, to Depart out of Watertown. She reſides at John Randals in Watertown.—

A warrant was Isued out ye 20th. or Next Day.—

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on ye Second Day of August 1753.—

The Selectmen having been Notified & Informed of Sundry Perſons who are Come to reſide in Watertown vizt. One Eliz^{h}. Orſburn who came from Charlſtown to Watertown on the 10 Day of Feby. Laſt who reſides at the Houſe of Uriah Clark. One Mary Vial who Came from Boston in the County of Suffolk to Watertown the firſt Day of March Laſt, who Reſids at the Houſe of Ebenez^{r} Hinds. Alſo one John Phillips with His Wife & four Children whoſe Names are Hannah Thomas Phebee & Mary they Came from Cambridge to Watertown the 26th. Day of April Laſt and Live in the Houſe of Stephen Palmer of s^{d}. Cambridge The Circumſtances of of ye abovenamed Perſons being Such that ye Selectmen Refuſe to Accept of any of them to be Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown. Accordingly ordred the Clerk to Isue out a Warrant Directed to one of ye Conſtables of s^{d} Town forthwith to warne all the aboves Perſons to Depart out of s^{d}. Watertown.

(Which was done on ye 4th. Inſtant).——

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at Mr Jona^{n}. Bemis's on ye 17th. of Octo^{r}. 1753. At S^{d}. Meeting Simon Coollidge gave an Acc^{t}. of His Boarding the Wid^{w}. Mary Maddocks between the Laſt of Feby. 1753. and ye second of Octo^{r}. following 21 weeks in all at 4/ P week.

Criſtopher Grant made his Application to ye Selectmen, On Acc^{t}. of ye s^{d} Wid^{w}. Maddocks, who was at his Houſe and had been there ever Since ye second of this Inſtant the Selectmen Agreed wth. ye s^{d} Grant to Let ye s^{d} Wid^{w}. be at his Houſe, as she may want a place of retreat, when She is out of work, and to find her her board when she is out of buisneſs and to keep Acc^{t}. of ye weeks he boards her and to have a reward of 4/ P week till further order of ye Selectmen, and He to Encourage her to git what work She can, the time of boarding her to begin ye 2^{d} Day of this Inſtant.

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at Corn^{t}. Ed^{w}. Harringtons on ye 14th. of Decr. 1753. There wanting wood for ye School, and ye Town having Determined that thoſe y^{t} Send their Children & Servt. to School Should provid wood for ye fire. ye Selectmen judge 8^{d} P head to be p^{d}. by Each Scholler will be Sufficient to Supply ye School fire the money to be paid to Dea^{n} Saml. Fisk to be Laid out for wood for ye School

Israel Mead bro^{t}. his Acc^{t}. of work done for Saml. Coollidge Schoolmaſter at ye Deſire of ye Selectmen. ye Selectmen Alow'd

ye Acc^t^. which Amounted to two pounds Lawfull Money & ordred ye paym^t^. y^r^ of to s^d^ Mead and charge to m^r^ Coollidges Acc^t^.

[106] December 17. 1753. The Selectmen Meet at Capt. John Browns And Agre'd with him to board Mr Samuel Coollidge our prefent Schoolmafter (Mr Whitneys Circumftances being Such that He refufed to board him any longer) till further order of ye Selectmen and to take him ye s^d^. Coollidge ye Twenty forth of this Inftant, and to be paid therefor out of what is or may become due to s^d^ Collidge for keeping the School, the Sum of Six Shillings P week, for wch. ye s^d^. Brown Confented to Board him.

The Selectmen having been Served with a Copy of a Petition of A Committee of ye firft Parifh in Cambridge who petition ye General Court in behalf of s^d^ Parifh and pray that Some of ye Eafterly Inhab^ts^. of Watertown with their Eftates may be Annexed to s^d^ parifh for reafons Set forth in s^d^. Petition, and ye s^d^ Court having Appointed the 26th. of this Inftant for any Concerned to give reafons why the prayer of s^d^. petition be not Granted. In as much as what is pray'd for by the Parifh afores^d^ very much Affects Watertown the Selectmen judging it is moft proper & Necefsary to Lay the Matter before the Town; Accordingly Ordred the Clerk to Isue out Warrants Directed to ye Conftables of Watertown forthwith to Warn the freeholders and other Inhab^ts^. of Watertown to met at the Publick Meeting houfe in Watertown on Munday the 24th. of this Inftant at one of ye Clock afternon for ye Ends following vizt.—

1. To Choofe a Moderator for s^d^. Meeting.—
2. To hear and take into Confideration the Petition of ye firft Parish in Cambridge preferred to ye Great & General Court (a Copy of wch Pet^n^. the Selectmen have been Served with) wherein ye s^d^ Parifh by y^r^ Committee pray that Several of ye Inhab^ts^. of ye Eafterly part of Watertown with their Eftates may be Annexed to ye s^d^. firft Parifh in Cambridge, as set forth in the Copy of s^d^. Petition. and for the Town to Act thereon (if they see meet) and do any & evry thing they shall judge or think proper & Expedient to be done relating to s^d^. Affair Petitioned for by the Parifh afores^d^.—

(A Number of ye Inhab^ts^. of ye Town having Petitioned ye Selectmen that ye following Article be incerted in ye Warrat for ye warning of this meeting vizt)

3. To know the Mind of ye Town whether they will Remove their Meeting houfe from the place where it now Stands, and where they will move it to, and Act evry thing Elfe Necefsary to the Compleating Such a Publick Good.

(Warrants were Ifued out Accordingly)

At a meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhab^ts^. of Water-

town Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Aſsembled and met at the Publick Meeting houſe in s^d^. Town on the 24th. Day of December AD. 1753.

Voted and Choſe Joseph Maſon Esqr. Moderator for s^d^. Meeting.

Then ye Second Article was read together with the Copy of ye Petion of ye firſt Pariſh in Cambridge and Conſidred, and After Conſideration, The Vote was put whether it is ye Mind of ye Town to set off any of their Inhab^ts^. in the Eaſterly part of ye Town with their Estates to the firſt Pariſh in Cambridge as pray'd for in their Petition, And the Vote paſt in the Negative unannimusly.

Voted and choſe Joseph Maſon & Jonas Bond Esq^rs^. & John Brown Gentleman to be a Com^tee^. to make Anſwer at ye Great & General Court in ye Name of ye Town to s^d^. Petition of the firſt parish in Cambridge.

Then the Third Article was Read to the Town and After Debate thereon The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Remove their Meeting houſe from the place where it Now Stands.

And the Vote paſt in the Negative

[107] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Joseph Maſon Esqr. on the Eleventh Day of Feb^y^: 1754. There being two Petitions Delivred to ye Selectmen Each Signed by a Number of ye Inhab^ts^. of Watertown praying the Selectmen to call a Town Meeting as Soon as May bee for ye Ends Set forth in S^d^. Petitions the Selectmen taking S^d^. Pet^ns^. into in to Conſideration Ordred the Clerk to Isue out Warrants Directed to the Conſtables of s^d^. Town to Warn the freehold^rs^. and other Inhab^ts^. of Watertown Quallified According to Law to Vote in Town Affairs to meet at ye Publick Meeting houſe in s^d^. Town on Wedneſday the 20th. Day of Feb^y^: Currant at one of ye Clock Affer Noon for ye Ends following

1. To Chooſe a Moderator for s^d^. Meeting. (2^ly^.) To See if the Town are willing their publick Meeting houſe Should be Removed from the Hill where it now Stands to the half Acre of Land lately given by Nathl. Harris Esqr. for to Set Said Meeting Houſe on; PROVIDED it be Done without any Charge to the Town as a Town. and that Saſh Windows be made in lew of the Windows Now in the Meeting houſe & if they are willing therefor to See if they will then take the Proper Meaſures for ye Effecting Such Removal (3^ly^) To know ye mind of ye Town whether they will Petit^n^. ye Great and Gen^ll^. Court to Set off a Number of ye Inhab^ts^. belonging to Newton to s^d^. Watertown and Chooſe a Com^tee^. to prepare & prefer a Petit^n^. to s^d^. Court, and do evry thing Needfull to Accompliſh s^d^. Affair. (4^ly^.) To know the mind of ye Town whether they are Willing to make

An Exchange with Waltham that So the Inhab^{ts}. of ye Extreem parts of both Towns May be better Accommodated for ye Attending the publick Worſhip of God than they now are. (5^{ly}.) To know the mind of the Town wheth^{r}. they are Willing to joine with Waltham to Pet^{n}. ye Great & Genl. Court to Annex Such families or Perſons with their Eſtates at ye Extreem parts of Each Town who Deſire the Same to the Town they are moſt Convenant to, Agreable to Such Bounds as the Towns may Agree to, or by Such Bounds & limmits as Said Court Shall Appoint in caſe the Towns do not agree. And to do any thing or things Neceſsary relating to s^{d}. Affair.

—Warrants were Isued out to ye Conſtables and Returned and are on file—At^{r}. Joseph Mason Cler /

[108] At a General Town Meeting of ye Freehold^{rs}. and other Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Aſsembled and met together at the Publick Meeting houſe in s^{d}. Town on the Twentyeth of February AD. 1754 for the Ends Set forth in ye Warrants for ye warning of s^{d}. Meeting.—

1. Voted and Choſe Joſiah Convers Esqr. Moderator for s^{d}. Meeting.

2^{ly}. Voted that the Publick Meeting Houſe belonging to this Town be removed from the place where it Now Stands on Schoolhouſe Hill to the half Acrer of Land Lately given by Nathl. Harris Esqr. to the Town, and that the S^{d}. Houſe be A New Errected there and that Saſh Windows be put in to the Houſe in lew of the Windows Now in it.

(This Vote paſt in the Affirmative by three odds.)—

3^{ly}. Put to Vote whether the Town do Accept of ye Security given by Joſiah Convers & others to Indempnify the Town from all Charge that may Ariſe by the removal of the Meeting Houſe as aboves^{d}.—and the vote paſt in the Affirmative

4^{ly}. Put to Vote whether it be the mind of ye Town to Chooſe a Committee to Effect what the Town has already Voted reſpecting the moving of y^{d} Meeting Houſe

And ye Vote paſt in the Affirmative

5^{ly} Voted and Choſe the Gentlemen which gave the Security to the Town vizt. Joſiah Convers Esqr. David Baldwin, Daniel Whitney, Jonathan Bemis, John Brown, Edward Harrington and m^{r} John Hunt to be the Committee for ye Ends abovesaid.

6^{ly}. Voted that the Committee Choſen to Effect ye Removal and Rebuilding of ye Meeting Houſe, do it as Soon as may be with Convenancy agreable to ye Vote of ye Town.

7^{ly}. The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Chooſe a Committee to Petition the great and General Court,

that a Number of ye Inhab^ts^. of Newton may be Set off to Watertown

And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

8^ly^. Voted and Choſe Mr John Hunt and Capt John Brown to be a Committee to petition y^d^ Genl. Court for ye Ends aboves^d^.—

9^ly^ The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town whether they are Willing to make an Exchange with waltham that so the Inhab^ts^. of ye Extreem parts of both Towns may be better Accommodated for ye Attending of the publick worſhip of God than they now are. And the Vote paſt in the Negative

10^ly^. Put to Vote whether it is ye Mind of ye Town to joine with Waltham to Petit^n^. ye Great & Genl. Court to Annex Such families or perſons with their Eſtates at the Extreem partes of Each Town who deſire the Same to ye Town they are moſt Convenant to, Agreable to Such Bounds as the Towns may Agree to, or by Such Bounds and Limitts as s^d^ Court Shall Appoint in Caſe ye Towns do not Agree. And ye Vote paſt in ye Negative

11^ly^. The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of ye Town to reconſider any of the Votes that have paſt at this Meeting. And the Vote paſt in the Negative.

[109] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on the Eleventh Day of Feb^y^: AD. 1754. At S^d^. Meeting ye Selectmen Ordred ye Clerk to Isue out Warrants Directed to the Conſtables of Watertown, To Warn the freehold^rs^. and other Inhab^ts^. of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs To Aſsemble and Meet at the Publick Meeting houſe in S^d^. Town on Munday the fourth Day of March Next at Nine of ye Clock in the Morning for the Ends following.—

1. To Chooſe a Moderator for Said Meeting.—

2 To Chooſe Selectmen a Town Clerk Town Treaſurer a Conſtable or Conſtables Aſseſsors and all other Such Town Officers as by Law are to be Choſen in the Month of March Annually.—

3. To Chooſe a Saxton, and to Agree how he Shall be paid for his Service.

4. To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer.—

5. To know the mind of the Town whether Swine Shall Run at Large this Year under the Regulations of ye Law in Such caſe.

6 To hear the Town Treaſurers Acc^ts^. & for the Town to paſs upon them

7 For the Town to Appropriate their Intereſt money coming to the Town this Year the Year beginning the Eleventh of December Laſt

8 For the Town to Grant An Honourable for ye Reverend Mr Seth Storer (our Rev^d^ Paſtor) for the Year Enſuing the Year beginning the firſt of March Next.—

9. To Grant money for the Support of the School—

10. To Grant money for the Support of the poor.—

11. To hear the Acc^{ts}. of thoſe perſons to whom the Town is Indebted, and to grant money to pay the Same.

12 To Grant money for ye Repairs of ye Great Bridge in Watertown.

13. To know the mind of ye Town whether they will mend the High Ways and Town Ways by Rate this Year Aſseſt on the Ratable Inhab^{ts}. & Eſtates of the Town and if the Town See Cauſe to Come into this Method, then to make a Grant of money for the Same, and that perſons have the Liberty to work out what they Shall be Aſseſt at for that Service (if they See meet) provided that it be work't out within the Year, at Such prices for Man & Teems as the Town Shall Agree upon, And to chooſe the Suryers of High Ways to be Collectors of s^{d}. Rate or to see that it be faithfully work't out within the Year in the way and Manner that the Town Shall or may Agree upon.

14 To hear the Report of ye Committee who were Choſen to Repair the Miniſtral Houſe and Build a Barn on the Miniſteral place. how far they have proceeded in Said Affair, And to grant money if Need be to pay what Yet May remain Due for s^{d}. premiſses there being forty pounds (old Ten^{r}) leſs in the hands of Col^{l}. Brattle than what was judge to be when Appropriated for this Service.

15. To Grant Money for ye Repairs of ye Meeting houſe if Need Be—

16. To know the Mind of ye Town whether they will Let out the Little Island and other Lands by the River, which were Let for ye Laſt Year and chooſe a Com^{tee}. for that end. And order the Conſtables to Notify p^{r}ſons ye Town is Indebted to to bring in y^{r} Acc^{ts}. to ye Selectmen at ye Wid^{w}. Mary Learneds on the 27th of this Inſtant at two clock After noon—

Warrants were Isued out Accordingly and return'd and are on fill—

Att^{r}. Joseph Mason Cler //

[110] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of ye Wid^{w}. Mary Learned on the 27th. Day of February AD. 1754. In order to take in the Acc^{ts}. of thoſe Perſons to whom the Town are Indebted in order to there being Laid befor the Town. The Selectmen Ordred the Treaſurer to pay to ye Wid^{w}. Mary Learned the Sum of 2/2 and charge the Same to m^{r} Saml Coollidges Acc^{t}. (wch was paid immediatly). The Acc^{t} Taken in at this Meeting are as follow's

Viz^{t}. Enſ^{n}. Jona^{n}. Bemis for Stone for Two Bridges (Lawfull money)	..—.5—.4
Jona^{n}. Child for Serving Conſtable 2/8 warning 3 Town Meetings 1/3 and for trouble carrying one Mary Davis to Waltham 4/ — — — — —	..—.7=11

Jacob Caldwell for Serving Conſtable 2/8 for warning 2 Town Meetings 9d. & for Carrying one Child Wife & two Children to Newton 5/4		..—.8=.9
Lt. Daniel Whitney for 60 feet of plank & Sundry pieces of Timbr		..—.8—..¾
Amos Bond for Six Loads of Stones for the Whelm near Saml. Jeniſons		..—.5—..
Joseph Maſon Saml Fisk & Nathl. Bright Aſseſsors for Making all ye Rates &c. for ye Year 1753. 13/4 Each		.2—..—..
John Kembal junr. for Serving Conſtable & warning 3 Meetings		..—.3=10
David Livermore for Speeks & Dogs for ye Great Bridge		..—.2—.9
Saml. Whitney for Serving Conſtable & Warning 6 Meetings		..—.5—.4
Added at the Town Meeting vizt		
Benjamin Haſtings for work Done at the great Bridge the Year 1753	1″ .8″ 8	
for work at the School houſe	.—.3=4	
for Bords for sd School houſe	.—.3=4	
for Nails for Ditto	..—..—.9¾	
		.1—16=.1¾
Saml. Stratton for Serving Conſtable & warning 4 Meetings		..—.4—.8
		£.6=.7 =.4½
Joseph Maſon for Serving the Town in the Office of Clerk & Treaſurer for ye Year 1753		£.2=13=.4

[111] At a General Town Meeting of ye freeholdrs. and other Inhabts of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting houſe (or Reamains of sd Houſe) on the fourth Day of March AD 1754 being yr Annvaſsary Meeting. for Choice of Town Officers &c. —

Voted and Choſe Josiah Converſe Esqr. Moderator for sd Meeting.

Upon a Motion made & Seconded The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Adjourn this Meeting & remaining buſines of to three clok afternoon to ye Houſe of Thos Saltmarſh And ye Vote paſt in ye Affirmative

Accordingly ye Meeting was Adjourned to ye time & place abovesd.

The Town being met on ye 4th. of March abovesd. three clok afternoon at ye Dwelling Houſe of Mr Thos. Saltmarſhes, The Moderator having opned the Meeting, the Second Article in ye

warrat red Relating to ye Choice of Town Officers, the Votes were Called for ye Choice of Selectmen

Voted and Choſe for Selectmen
- Enſ^{n}. Jona^{n}. Bemis
- Dea^{n}: Saml. Fisk
- Cor^{t}. Edwd. Harrington
- Mr Josiah Stearns
- Joseph Mason Esqr. who und^{r}. Bodly Weakneſs Refuſed to Serve
- Mr John Hunt

Voted and Choſe Joseph Maſon Esqr. Town Cler.

Voted and Choſe Joseph Mason Esqr Town Treaſurer

Voted to Chooſe Two Conſtables for this preſent Year.

Voted and Choſe Edmund Foul firſt Conſtable.—who Accepted

Voted and Choſe Mr Nathl. Harrington Second Conſtable, But upon his pleas the Town See meat by a Vote to Diſmiſs him from being Conſtable this Year.—

Voted and Choſe Seth Haſtings to be Second Conſtable. M^{r} Haſtings Declared to the Town that he had Agree'd with m^{r} Jacob Caldwell to Serve in his room if the Town w^{ld}. Accept of s^{d} Caldwell. Who Declared y^{t} he w^{ld}. Serve if ye Town Accept of him. Voted and Accepted of m^{r} Jacob Caldwell to Serve in the office of a Conſtable in the Room of Seth Haſtings.—

Voted & Choſe for Aſseſsors
- Dea Saml Fisk
- Thos. Saltmarſh
- Nathl. Harrington

Voted and choſe Edm^{d}. Foul Sealer of Leather

Voted & choſe for fence Viewers
- Jona^{n} Learned
- Ebenezer Wyeth

Voted and Choſe for Survey^{rs}. of Highways
- L^{t}. Danl. Whitney
- Benjn. Haſtings

Voted and choſe for Tything men
- Joseph Harrington
- Simon Coollidge

Voted and Choſe for Hogrieves
- Eph^{m}. Warrin
- Abel Benjamin

Voted and choſe for Surveyers of Timb^{r} plank board slitwork &c
- Jonas Coollidge
- Bez^{l}. Learned

Voted and choſe for Hawards
- Uriah Clark
- Edwd. Richardſon

Voted and choſe Saml Cook Gager of Caſk

Voted & Choſe Saml Cook Culler of hoops & Staves

Voted and Choſe for Deerrieves
- James Dix
- Thos. Saltmarſh

Voted and Choſe Ebenezer Goddard Saxton

Voted y^{t} there be two Contrabutions as Uſual to Satisfy ye Saxton for his Service ye 1st to by the firſt Sabbath in Sep^{r}. & ye other on ye Laſt Sabbath in Feb^{y}.—

Voted that Swin run at Large this preſent Year under ye Regulations of ye Law in Such Caſe provided.

Then

[112] Then the Treaſurers Acc^ts^. were Laid before the Town and Red vizt

The General Acc^t^. And ye Sum the Treaſurey was Charged when all paid in was 221″ 14″ 3—3

The Treaſurey had Credit for paym^ts^. the Sum of — — — — — — — 147″10″10″3

And y^r^ was out Standing in Conſtables hands y^e^ Sum of — 74″ 3—.5 3

221″ 14:3—3

Voted and Accepted and Alowed the Treaſurers General Acc^t^.—

An Account of y^e^ Intereſt Money Rec^d^ by y^e^ Town Treaſurer red to y^e^ Town, and by y^e^ Acc^t^. It Appeared that y^e^ Treaſurer had rec^d^. y^e^ Sum of — — — — — — — — — — £11=10=3 ¾

And y^t^ y^e^ Treaſurer had paid the Sum of — 11—10—3 ¾

Voted and Accepted this Acc^t^. and Alowed the same.

Voted and Appropriated the Intreſt money Coming to the Town for this preſent Year y^e^ Year beginning the Eleventh of Decr Laſt viz £15—.4—.. to y^e^ Miniſtry and £15=1—8. To y^e^ School.

Voted and Granted for a Honourable Salary for y^e^ Rev^d^. Mr Storer for y^e^ preſent Year the Sum of Sixty Six pounds 13/4 the Intreſt money Appropriated for y^e^ Miniſtry to be part of s^d^. Sum.

Voted and granted forty pounds for y^e^ Support of the School—the Intreſt money appropriated for ye School to be a part of s^d^. Sum—

Voted and Granted for ye Support of ye poor ye Sum of Twenty Pounds.

Then ye Acc^ts^. of thoſe Perſons to whom the Town is indebted to was red to the Town Amounting to the Sum of Six pounds 7/4 ¾ And Alowed.—

Voted and Granted ye Sum of Six pounds 7/4 ¾ to Satisfy and pay ye s^d^. Acc^ts^.

Voted and Granted to Joseph Maſon Esqr. the Sum of Two pounds 13/4 for his Service as Clerk & Treaſurer for ye Year 1753.—

Voted and Granted ye Sum of four Pounds for to help repair ye Great Bridge in Watertown

Voted to mend the High Ways and Town ways by Rate this Year as Uſual

Voted and Granted the Sum of forty Pounds for ye Mending ye High ways & Town Ways to be Aſseſt on ye Ratable Poles & Estates in the Town

The Vote was put whether it is ye mind of the Town That the price of Labour in Mending ye High Ways & Town ways be as follows vizt four Shillings & nine pence ½ for a man and Teem a Day, and for a Single Man two ſhillings & 4^d^ ¾ Pr Day. and ye Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

Voted and Choſe L^t^. Danl. Whitney & Mr Benjn. Haſtings (the preſent Surveyers of High ways &c) to be Collectors of Said Rate or Grant or See y^t^ it be work't out faithfully within the Year at the prices that the Town has Set And to make up their Acc^ts^. with the Selectmen within the Year.

The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Grant the Sum of three Pounds to make good the Deficecy in the Appropriations for ye repairing of ye Miniſteral houſe and building the Miniſteral Barn, and if there be any overpluſs the Com^tee^: Choſen to manage s^d^ Affair be Accountable to ye Town therefor. And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

The Vote was put whether the Town will grant any Money to repair the Meeting houſe and ye Vote paſt in ye Negative.

Voted to Let ye Little Island & ye other Land belonging to ye Town which was Let for ye Laſt Year.

Voted to Chooſe A Committee to Let out ye s^d^ Island & other Land for this Year.

Voted and choſe Meſs^rs^. Joseph Harrington And^w^. White & Dea^n^. Saml. Fiske to be a Committee for ye Ends aboves^d^.—

[113] March the 8th. 1754. The Perſons undernamed all of them reſpectively took the Oath Relating to ye Bills of Credit of other Provinces &c. before Nathl. Harris Esqr.—

Enſ^n^. Jonathan Bemis
Dea^n^ Saml. Fisk —
Cor^t^. Edwd. Harrington
M^r^ Joſiah Stearns —
Mr John Hunt
} Selectmen

Joseph Maſon took ye Oath of Town Clerk & Treaſ^r^.
Edmund Foul ye Oath of a Conſtable & Sealer of Lea^r^.
Jacob Caldwell ye Oath of a Conſtable — — —
Dea^n^. Saml. Fisk ye oath of Aſseſsor — — — —
Thomas Saltmarſh ye oath of Aſseſsor & Deerrieve
Nathl. Harrington ye oath of Aſseſsor
Jona^n^. Learned ye Oath of fence Viewer
Ebenezer Wyeth ye oath of fence Viewer
Lieu^t^. Danl. Whitney the Oath of Surveyer of Highways & Collector
Benjn. Haſting the Oath of Surveyer of Ways & of Collector
Abel Benjamin the Oath of a Hogrieve
} Befor Nathl. Harris Justice of peace /

Jonas Coollidge ye oath of Surveyer &
Meafurer of Timber plank &c
Bezaleel Learned ye oath of Surveyer &
Meafurer of plank &c
Uriah Clark ye oath of Haward
Edwd. Richardfon the oath of Haward
Saml. Cook the Oath of Culler of Hoops & Staves
} Befor Nathl. Harris Justice of peace /

At a meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Widow Mary Learneds on the 1st. Day of April 1754.
At this Meeting the Selectmen Appointed the Surveyers of High Ways their Deftricts, which are as follow's, vizt. Benjamin Hafting Surveyer His Diftrict to be All the High ways & Town Ways on the Eafterly Side of the Town way that Leads a Crofs the Town from ye Country Road Near m^r^ Goddards so up the hill where ye Meeting houfe did stand so by Mr Storers down to Cambridge Line near Thos. Wellington's.——

Lieu^t^. Daniel Whitney Surveyer his Dist^t^. to be all the Town Ways and High ways on the Wefterly Side of the Town way Leading acrofs ye Town from ye Highway by Mr Goddards to Cambridge Line Near m^r^ Thos. Wellingtons, alfo the whole of s^d^. way Acrofs ye Town as alfo the HighWays on ye South Side of Charles River. But Since the Country Road in the Eaft Diftrict Is under prefentment, and it is thought that ye proportion of ye Grant for mending the Ways that may be afsign'd to ye Eaft Surveyer will not be Sufficient to mend ye ways So as to save the prefentm^t^. To Accommodate s^d^. Affair ye Selectmen Agreed That m^r^ Whitney Surveyer of ye Wefterly District Should work out Two pounds 13/4 (Lawfull money) of His Rate, in the Eaft Diftrict in the High way y^t^ is under Prefentm^t^. And that the Afsefsors in the Warrant they give to Surveyer Whitney Order the Same Accordingly.—

Capt. John Taynter brought in his Acc^t^. of what he had provided for y^e^ Wid^w^. Webb amounting to thirteen Shillings and five pence, wch. y^e^ Selectmen Allowed.—

Chriftopher Grant brought in his Acc^t^. of Boarding y^e^ Wid^w^. Mary Maddocks Twenty two Weeks at 4/P week he gave Credit for 4/2. Ballance Due to s^d^. Grant is £4=.3=10. wch Acc^t^. the Selectmen Alowed.

The Selectmen Agre'd wth. Capt. John Taynter to board the Wid^w^. Webb for one Year from the Second of this Inftant (if she Survive) at (24 P^r^ week old Ten^r^) 3/2 ¼ P^r^ week. to be paid by the Town, and to be Allowed Reafonable Satisfaction for Extraordinary Charge if any should Happen. to which Agrem^t^ Mr Taynter Confented.

The Selectmen Agreed with Joseph Coollidge, to Let ye Wid^w^. Mary Maddock make his Houfe her place of Abode (when

Diſtatute of other place) for the space of a Year, that is to Say when she

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[114] Is Deſtitute of work abrod or at other places, but if She can Obtain work any where to incourage her undertaking it, that She may git what She can to help Support her Self, and what work She Shall do for him ye s^d^. Coollidge, he to give a true Acc^t^ y^r^ of to ye Selectmen and to be in part of his pay, and ye s^d^. Coollidge to keep an Exact Acc^t^. of ye weeks he shall board her, and to be Alowed (24/ P^r^ week old Tener) 3/2 ¼ P^r^ week for ye weeks He Shall board her.—to ye which ye s^d^. Coollidge Concented.——

At a meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Wid^w^. Mary Learneds. on ye 9th. Day of May 1754

The Selectmen prepared a Liſt of perſons for Juriors to be Laid before ye Town for their Acceptance if ye see Meet, and to be added to the Boxes.

At this Meeting ye Selectmen Ordred ye Clerk to Isue out a Warrant to Warn one Lois Boyington who reſides at Nathl. Brights & one Hannah Smith who Reſides at ye Houſe of Ebenezer Hinds forthwith to Depart out of Watertown ye Selectmen Refuſing to Accept of them to be Inhab^ts^. in Watertown.

(wch. was Done the tenth day. and Caution Entred at ye Seſsions in Cambridge)

[115] At a General Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhab^ts^. of the Town of Watertown Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative Regulerly Aſsembled on the 13 Day of May 1754 at the place where the Meeting houſe was burt.

The Major part of the Selectmen being Preſent, The Vote was Called for to be bro^t^. in for ye Choice of a Perſon to Repreſent the Town at a Great and General Aſsembly Appointed to be Convened at ye Court Houſe in Boston on the 29th. of this Inſtant.— After the Votes were bro^t^ in, Sorted and Numbred it Appeared that Mr John Hunt was Choſen to repreſent the Town at Said Aſsembly. P ye Major part of ye Voters preſent.

At a General Town Meeting of ye freholders and other Inhab^ts^. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs regulerly Aſsembled on the 13th. of May 1754.

Voted and Choſe Capt. John Brown Moderator for s^d^. Meeting.—

upon a motion made & Seconded, Voted and Adjourned the Meeting to the Houſe of ye Wid^w^. Mary Learneds there to finiſh ye Remaining buſniſs

At a General Meeting of ye Inhab^ts^. of Watertown at y^e^

Wid^{w}. Mary Learneds on the 13th. of May 1754. by An Adjournment.

The fourth Article in the Warrant was Red relating to Sufanna Murch

And the Vote was put whether it is the Mind of the Town to grant Sufanna Murch a Liberty to Set a Small Building on the Towns Land which Ly's Near Isaac Sanderfons where a Committee to be Chofen for that End Shall apoint and Direct, and to enjoy Said Land on which s^{d}. Building is Set Dureing the Town's pleafure.—

And the Vote paft in the Affirmative

Voted and Chofe the prefent Selectmen to be the Com^{tee}: for ye Ends abovesaid

A Lift of perfons for Juriors were Exhib^{td}. to ye Town for Acceptance amounting to the Number of Thirty three. The Town Confidred the Lift and

Voted and Accepted of s^{d}. Lift, and to be Added to the Lift of thofe Surving in the Boxes. There Now being 98 Juriors. A Quarter part is 24. to be in the Superiour Box. Seventeen remaining in s^{d}. Box. The Town Voted to be added to ye s^{d}. 17 in s^{d}. Box Capt. David Baldwin Capt John Brown m^{r} James Bailey Samuel Barnard, Nathaniel Bright, Samuel Hager and Henry Spring.

Voted that the Cler Make the proper Entries or Additions to Each Box.

The Sixth Article red, and after Debate thereon the Vote was put whether the Town will Appoint a Committee to Petition the Great and General Court for part of Cambridge with part of Newton as An Equivolent for what is taken from Watertown to Cambridge.

Voted and Chofe Mr John Hunt Jofiah Converfe and Capt. John Brown to be Said Committee

[116] At a meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown at David Coollidges on the 16th. Day of May AD. 1754. The Selectmen Ordred the Clerk to Isue out a Warrant Directed to ye Confitable in Watertown in the following words vizt. You are Required to warn the freeholders and other Inhabt^{ts} of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs to meet at the Houfe of m^{r} Thomas Saltmarfhe's on the 23^{d}. Day of May Currant at two of ye Clock afternoon (there being no publick Meeting Houfe to meet in) for ye Ends following

(1) to choofe a Moderator for Said Meeting. (2) To know the mind of ye Town whether they will come into Any Meafurers to procure a Convenant place for the Inhab^{ts}. of ye Town to Afsemble in, for ye Publick worfhip of God. So as to Eafe ye Revd Mr Storer of ye Burdin of Meeting at His Houfe (3^{ly}) For the Town to Mannifeft their Mind, what Steps are proper to be

taken under the preſent awfull frowns of Heaven Againſt the Town, That ye Divine Anger May be removed and the Divine Bleſsing obtained, and the peace of ye Town promoted.

(wch was done accordingly)

At a General Town meeting of ye freehold^{rs} and other Inhab^{ts}. Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs, Regulerly Warned and Aſsembled at the Dwelling Houſe of m^{r} Thos. Saltmarſh's on the 23^{d}. Day of may AD. 1754 for ye Ends set forth in the Warrant.

1. Voted and Choſe m^{r} John Hunt Moderator of this Meeting.—

2. The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Chooſe a Committee to make Inquirey where a place may be had for the Inhab^{ts}. of ye Town to meet in for publick worſhip, and take all proper methods for obtaining the Same, and make Report to the Town at their Next Town Meeting and for ye Town to Act their pleaſure in Relation there unto. And ye Vote paſt in the Affirmat^{e}.

3. Voted and Choſe Cap^{n}. David Baldwin Cor^{t}. Edwd Harrington & L^{t}. Daniel Whitney to be Committee for ye Ends Aboves^{d}.—

4 The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town to Chooſe a Committee to Apply to ye Revd Mr Storer for his Advice & Direction as to the time for a Day of Humeliation, and if He thinks proper then wth ye Com^{tee}: to Adviſe with our Neighbour Miniſters relating to s^{d}. Affair, and the Day and place they may agree upon to be the time to Attend as a Day of Faſting and prayer And the Rev^{d}. Mr Storer be deſired to call in Such help as he Shall think proper for ye Carring on the work of ye Day that May be Appointed for Said Solomnity, and that Mr Storer give publick Notice of s^{d}. Day if Agre'd on, and ye Vote paſt in ye Affirm^{tve}.

5. Voted and Choſe Joseph Mason Deacon Saml. Fisk and Capt. John Taynter to be the Committee for ye Ends above said.

[117] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown the 3^{d}. Day of June AD. 1754.

A Town Meeting was agreed on to be on Munday the Tenth of June Currant at one of ye Clock afternoone at the Houſe of m^{r} Thos. Saltmarſhes in s^{d}. Town for the Ends following vizt.

1. To Chooſe a Moderator for said Meeting.

2. To hear the Report of a Committee Appointed by the Town to prepare a place for the Publick Worſhip of God, and to Act on ye s^{d}. Report what ye Town shall judge proper.

3. To know the mind of the Town whether they will Build

a Houſe for the Publick worſhip of God, and if so to Determine the Dementions, the time when, and place where it Shall be Errected.

4. To See if the Town will Grant a Sufficient Sum of money to Build and finiſh Such Houſe.

5. To See if the Town will Appoint a Committee to purchaſe the Meteralls for s^d^. Houſe and to overſee the work till the Hou' is finiſhed.

6. To know the mind of the Town what they will Alow Said Comm^tee^. a Day for their Trouble, and to paſs Such other Votes as Shall then be judged by the Town Neceſsary and proper to Accompliſh s^d^. Affair. and reſtore the peacable Publick Worſhip of God amongst us.

7. To Chooſe a Conſtable in the Room Mr Caldwell who is Set off to Cambridge.

To Joseph Maſon Esqr. Town Clerk S^r^. You are hereby Deſired & Directed by the Selectmen of Watertown to Isue a Warrant for a Town Meeting at at the time & place afore s^d^. and incerte the foregoing Articles there in for the Conſideration of ye Town. (w^ch^: was Done Accordingly att^r^. J Mason Cler/)—

June the 10th. 1754. The Warrant for ye Warning of ye aboves^d^. Meeting fell thrô from Defect in the Officers. where upon the Selectmen this Day Ordred the Clerk to Isue out a nother Warrant Directed to ye Conſtable to warn ye freehold^rs^. and other Inhab^ts^. of ye Town Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs to Meet at m^r^ Thos. Saltmarſhes on Thurſday the 13th. Day of this Inſtant June One Aclock after None, for the Same Ends, and to Act on ye Same Articles wch. are Contained in ye aboves^d^. Warrant wch. fell thrô. (wch was immediatly done this day & Deliv^d^. to ye Officer in prefence of ye Selectmen ye warrat is on file J. Maſon Cler/

At a General Town Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhab^ts^. of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs regulerly Warned and Aſsembled at the the Houſe of Mr Thos. Saltmarſhes in s^d^. Town, on the 13th. Day of June AD. 1754. for the Ends Set forth in the Warrat Isued for ye Warning of s^d^. Meeting.

1. Voted and Choſe Josiah Convers Esqr. Moderator for s^d^. Meeting.—

2. The Report of ye Com^tee^: Red to the Town, and after Conſideration thereon

The Vote was put whether the Town Accept of s^d^. Comm^tees^. Report and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative—

—(before any other Article was Acted on, there was a Number of ye Inhab^ts^. of ye Town Entred their Decent and proteſt againſt

paying any part of ye Cost that is propoſed to be Voted or Raiſed. as Set forth in s^d. Decent recorded Page (119) in this Book)

3^ly.

[118] 3^ly. The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of ye Town to build A Houſe for the Publick worſhip of God, And ye Vote paſt in the Affirmative

4^ly. The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of ye Town, that the Dementions of ye Houſe to be Errected for the publick worſhip of God, Should be fifty Six feet in Length and forty two feet in Width, Twenty three feet post, A Steeple to be build from the Ground and a Porch at the Oppeſite End for going up into the Gallery Each to be fourteen feet Square. And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

5^ly. The Vote was put whether it is the mind of ye Town that ye Time appointed for the Errecting Said Houſe be as Soon as may be with Convenancy

And the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.—

6^ly. The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of ye Town That the Houſe to be Errected for ye Publick worſhip of God, be Errected on the half Acrer of Land given by Nathl. Harris Esqr. to Errect a Meeting Houſe on and the Vote paſt in the Affirmative.

7^ly. Voted and Granted the Sum of Six hundred Pounds Lawfull money towards the Building & finiſhing the Houſe Voted to be Errected for the Publick Worſhip of God.

8^ly. Voted to Chooſe a Com^tee: of three Perſons for to procure Meterals for ye Meeting Houſe to be errected and to over See the work till ye Houſe be finiſhed.

9^ly. Voted and Choſe Cor^t. Edwd. Harrington Enſ^n. Jonathan Bemis & Capt. John Brown to be Said Committee.

10^ly. Voted that the Committee shall have three Shillings Pr Day Lawfull Money for their Service in s^d Affair of Building s^d. Houſe.

11^ly. The Vote was put whether it is the Mind of ye Town that the Committee Choſen for ye Errecting of ye Meeting Houſe for the publick worſhip of God, are Impowred to Draw out of the Town Treaſurey of the Six hundred pounds Voted for the Building of S^d. Houſe from time to time for ye procuring of Meteralls and toward finiſhing Said Meeting Houſe, The Treaſurer firſt having Rec^d order from time to time from ye Selectmen for paym^t. & ye Vote paſt in ye Affirmative.

12. Voted and Choſe John Cook to be Conſtable in the Room of Mr Caldwell.—

To Joseph Maſon Esqr Town Clerk, S^r. After You Left the Meeting, The Town Voted James Dix to be a Conſtable in the

Room of M^{r}. John Cook of which He Accepted, which pleafe to Record After wch ye Meeting was Difsolved.—Josiah Convers. Moderator.—

Watertown June 11th. 1754.—

[119] We the Subfcribers Inhab^{ts}. of Watertown having been Warned to attend a Town Meeting on June 13th. 1754. in Order to Act on the Several Articles contained in the Warrant for ye calling of s^{d}. Meeting &c. We being Sencable of ye Great Difadvantage we are under by reafon of the Proceedings and Conduct of a Party who Dwell on the Southerly part of ye Town who in order to drive on their Scheems in regard to the pulling down and removing the Meeting Houfe, and in order to gain their point have in a moft Arbetrary & Oppref sive Manner (as we Apprehend) Denied a Number of Perfons who were pofseft of Some of ye beft Estates in the Town from putting in their Votes in the moft Important Affair that ever came before a Town and thereby denied them of the juft rights & priviledge of Englifh Subjects, when at the Same time they pufhed on their Vote and obtain'd it in an over bearing & as we the Subfcribers Apprehend an Elegal maner. But s^{d}. Party having Obtained the afores^{d}. Pretended Vote, proceeded Immediatly to the pulling or reather breaking down the Meeting Houfe by which rafh unprefedented proceedings, the Subfcribers are greatly Injured & greived all wch. proceedings reflects Difhonour on ye Wifdom of the great & General Court who were pleafed to Interpofe in placeing and fixing the Meeting Houfe more than Thirty Years Since &c. and has a Direct tendency to bring on contentions and Confusions in ye Town again. and it is Eafy to obferve on the Proceedings of this party how they Stile themfelves Town as if all their Votes and propofalls had the Santion of Town Orders, and thofe that comply not therewith were only an Inconfidrable party or a few Straglers on the bounds of the Town, when at the Same time it is well known that thofe who are Oppofite to the Removal of ye Meeting Houfe are According to the Exacteft Computation owners and Pofsefsors of much ye greater part of y^{d} Ratable Eftate in the Town, and that our Proceedings in order to Defend our Just Rights and priviledges in the Meeting Houfe where it was firft Errected has been Justifyed by People in General; whereas the Violent Proceedings of ye South Party has been as univerfeally Condemn'd

And whereas the Town is Called together to Know their Mindes, whether they will Build a Houfe for the Publick worfhip of God, to Determine the deMentions the time when and place where it Shall be Errected and to grant a Sufficent Sum of money to Build and finifh &c. and to See if the Town Will Appoint a Committee to purchafe Meterals and See it finifhed &c. and to See what the Town will give their Com-

mittee a Day &c. and whereas the Voteing & Granting s^d^. Articles will bring an hevey and unreaſonable coſt and burden on the Subſcribers wch. we Apprehend cannot be juſtified Either by Law or Reaſon, therefore we the Subſcribers do now give our Decent and proteſt againſt our paying any part of the Coſt or Charge that is Propoſed to be Voted or Raiſed on s^d^. Articles and that for the y^t^ following Reasons.

(1)

[120] (1.) We apprehend that We have just grounds to Aſsert that it is no ways owing to any fault or Miſconduct of ours that we are Now Deſtitute of a Publick Meeting Houſe for the worſhip of God and it is well known that in february Laſt the Town had a very Commodius and Decent Houſe for that purpoſe which houſe was Stated and fixed by ye Authority of ye Great and General Court as alſo to ye General Satisfaction of ye Body of the Town on which Settlement the Town have Enjoyed great peace and Quietneſs for a great Number of Years.

(2) As to the Building a New Meeting Houſe we Apprehend it will be very unjuſt and unreaſonable to Vote and Oblidge the whole Town to be at the Cost and charge thereof there being a Number of Gentlemen who Oblidg'd themſelves by An Obligation under their hands and Seals wch. was Delivred to the Town Treaſurer to Save the Town from all coſt and Charge that might Ariſe by their Taking Down & Setting up s^d^ Houſe in the Manner & form mentioned in Said Obligation and it is well known there was not one Third part of ye Town w^ld^. have Voted as they Did, had it not been for s^d^. Obligation, and we Apprehend that in as much as s^d^. Committee pull'd down the Meeting Houſe at all adventures, So they took upon them the Chance of all Hazzards, and are of Oppinion that their Obligation is as much binding Now as it was the firſt Day it was given.—And therefore Deſire y^t^ this our Decent & Proteſt be put on file by the Clerk and Recorded in the Town Book.—

Oliver Livermore	Henry Bright
Jonathan Child	John Kembal
Joseph Child	Jonas Bond
Samuel Parry	Richard Clark
Uriah Clark	Joseph Harrington
Edward Richardſon	Daniel Bond
Wid^w^. Elizebeth Prentice	Nathl. Coollidge
William Godding	John Coollidge
Joſiah Bright	Ebenezer Stone
Joſiah Stowel	Samuel Stratton
Ephraim Warrin	Simon Coollidge
Henry Godding	Isaac Sanderſon

Jedidiah Leathe	James Baily
Silas Bright	Nathl. Stone
Jonas Bond jun^{r}.	Thomas Clark
Elijah Bond	Samuel Whitney
Jonas Barnerd	Andrew White
	Jonathan Stone
	Nathl. Bright.

[121] At a Meeting of ye Town of Watertown Regulerrly Warned & held this Sixteenth Day of Sepr. 1754 at the Houſe of m^{r} Thos. Saltmarſh Inholder in Watertown.

1. An Extract from a bill intitled an Act for Granting to his Majeſty an Excise upon Wines and Spirits Diſtil'd Sold by retail and Conſumed within this Province and upon Limes Lemons and Oranges; Being Read and His Excelency the Goveurners Speech to both houſes of Aſsembly in their Late Sitting June 17. 1754. being read aſso and Conſidred. The Queſtion was put whether the paſsing of a Bill of that Nature into a Law would be Agreeable to them. And it paſt in the Affirmative.

2^{ly}. The Towns Comm^{tee}: for Building a Meeting Houſe for the Publick Worſhip of God having propoſed a Confirmation of An Agreem^{t}. they could Make with Meſs^{rs}. Peirpoint & Evens and Laid Said Agreement before the Town; the Queſtion was put whether the s^{d}. Comm^{tee}. agreeing by the great for ye Building & finiſhing S^{d}. Houſe was Acceptable to them And it paſt in the Affirmative.

3^{ly}. The S^{d} Committee further Propoſed the Uſing what Materials were Left of ye Houſe that was Burnt, and the Queſton was put whether it be the Mind of ye Town
that theire Comm^{tee}. S^{ld}. Diſpoſe of S^{d}. Materialls in the beſt mañer they Can towards building the New Meeting Houſe, and it paſt in the Affirmative.

Atteſt^{n}. — — — John Hunt Moderator. — — —

Watertown 28th. 1754.

At a Meeting at the Houſe of ye Wid^{w}. Mary Learneds We the Subſcribers Agree that William White and His Wife and their two Children W^{m}. & Nathl. be Warned out of Town and Cautioned againſt

To Joseph Maſon Town Cler /

S^{r}. this is to Direct You forthwith to Iſue out a Warrant to Warn out the perſons above Named

Jona^{n} Bemis
Saml Fisk
Edwd Harrington } Selectmen
John Hunt

A Warrant was Issued out accordingly—Directed to Edm^{d}. Fowle Conſtable Who Warn'd out W^{m}. White His wife and

Two Chilldren (above mentioned)—And the Caution Entred At the Sefsions at Charlestown Jan: 1755—

[122] We the Subfcribers being Met at the Houfe of ye Wid^w^. Mary Learneds Inhold^r^. in Watertown the 12th Day of Decr. 1754 Did then and there Agree with Mr Jacob Foster Junr of Holifton to keep the School in this Town a Quarter of a Year and Inftruct the Children & Youth upon the following Terms Viz^t^. for Ten pounds Lawfull Money S^d^. Foster to bord & provid for him Self. S^d^. Quarter to begin the 17th Inftant.

We alfo Agre'd that Sufanna Murch have three Days work ab^t^. her Houfe paid for by the Town

Jona^n^. Bemis
Saml Fisk
Edwd Harrington
Jofiah Stearns
} Selectmen of Watertown

At a meeting of ye Selectmen a Joseph Mafon's the 31st. of Decr. 1754.

To Confider what time m^r^ Saml Coollidge has keept the School Since Agreem^t^ at m^r^ Thos Saltmarfh April 20th. 1752. and what reward he shall have for his Service the time He kept ye School regulerly. The Selectmen find He kept the School one month from ye 20th. of April aboves^d^. Then Mr Coollidge was after that So diforderly as not fit to keep ye School. that a nother Schoolmafter was provided for a Quarter of a Year. That Decr. 4th. 1752 m^r^ Coollidge put into the School again for tryal, once more, and kept the School from the Eleventh Day of s^d^. Decemb^r^. 1752 to the fifth Day of October 1754. (Then difmift) the whole time being one Year and Eleven Months, for which the Selectmen Alow'd Him after ye Rate of £40 P Year.

To the Selectmen of Watertown
Gentlemen.

Afsefsors Certifycate } This May Certify that we the subscribers have Afsest the Rateable Polls and Eftates of Watertown in the Sum of Forty Pounds—(which Sum was Granted by S^d^ Town for mending their Highways) And have Committed Lists of S^d^. Rate or Afsesm^t^. to the Several Survayers of Highways in S^d^. Town (who are alfo Collectors) viz—To Mr Daniel Whitney the Sum of Twenty three Pounds Seven Shillings and three Pence Two Farthings and To Mr Benjn. Hastings the Sum of Sixteen Pounds Twelve Shill— and Eight Pence Two Farthings with Lawfull warrants to Collect ye Same or See that it be Faithfully work't out Agreable to the votes of the Town—So as

to make up with the Selectmen at or before the Last Day of Nov^{br}—Next Enſewing—

Watertown Ap^{l}: 8th—1754 Saml. Fisk, Thos: Saltmarsh, Nathl: Harrington } Aſseſsors

[123] At a Meeting of the Selectmen At the Houſe of the Wid^{w}. Mary Learnd Inhold^{r}—on the Tenth Day of Feb: 1755—the Select Men Issued out Warrants Directed to the Several Conſtables to warn the Freehold^{rs}- and other Inhab^{ts}- of Watertown Quallifyed to Vote in Town Affairs to Aſſemble and Meet at the Publick Meeting Houſe in S^{d}. Town on Munday the Third Day of March Next at nine of the Clock in the fore Noon for the Ends Following (viz) (1) To Chooſe a Moderator for S^{d}. Meeting (2) To Chooſe Select Men A Town Clerk Town Treaſurer and all other Town Officers Required by Law To be Choſen in the Moneth of March Annualy (3) To Chooſe a Saxton and Agree How he shall be Paid For his Service. (4) To Put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer (5) To know the Mind of the Town whether Swine Shall Run at Large this Year under the Regulations of the Law in such Caſe (6) To Hear the Town Treaſurers Accounts and to paſs upon them (7) For the Town to Appropriate their Interest Money Coming to the Town This Year the Year beginning the Eleventh of Dec^{br}: Last (8) For the Town to Grant an Honourable Salery for the Rev^{d}: M^{r}. Seth Storer for the Year Enſewing the Year beginning the first of March Next—(9) To Grant Money for the Support of the School (10) To Grant Money for the Support of the Poor (11) To hear the Accounts of thoſe Perſons to whome the Town is Indebted and Grant Money to Pay the Same—(12) To Grant Money for the Repairs of the Great Bridge in Watertown (13) To know the Mind of the the Town whether they will Mend the Highways and Town ways By Rate this year Aſsest on the Rateable Polls and Eſtates of the Town, and if the Town See Cauſe to Come into this Method, then to Make a Grant of Money for the Same And that Perons have Liberty to work out what they Shall be Aſsest at for that Service (if they See meet Provided it be work't out within the Year, at Such Prices as the Town Shall Agree upon for man & Team, And to Chooſe the Surveyers of Highways to be Collectors of S^{d}. Rate or to Se that it be Faithfully work't out within the Year—in the Way & Manner that ye Town Shall or may Agree upon—(14) To know the Mind of the Town whether they With the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Storers Conſent will Sell the Ministerial Eſtate belonging to the Town Or any Part thereof And otherwiſe Provide for M^{r}. Storer with the Proceeds of S^{d}. Eſtate And to Determin How, And whether they will Appoint A Committee on S^{d}. Affair, And Conſider what Inſtructions they will give Said Committe—Or otherwiſe Provid

for Mr. Storer's Comfortable future Subsistance as the Town Shall then see fitt (15) To know the Mind of the Town whether they will Sell any other Lands belonging to the Town, And Dispoſe of the Interest of the Money that Shall ariſe thereby, or the Principle as the Town Shall See Fit (16) To know the Mind of the Town whether they will Give up the Bond Given by the Comtee For Removing the Meetinghouſe from Schoolhouſs hill they having performed the Condition as farr as was Poſsible (as they Say) (17) To know the Mind of The Town whether they will Let out the Little Island and other

Lands

[124] Lands by the River which were Lett Last Year and Chooſe a Comtee. therefor (18) To Grant Money for the Finishing the Meetinghouſe, Or other wiſe Determin how it shall be done—(19) To know the Mind of the Town whether they will sink any Perſons Rates in the Outstanding Conſtables Hands and if So then Grant Money to Make them Good—The Conſtables were alſo Directed to Notifye such Perſons to whome the Town is indebted to bring in their Accts. to the Selectmen at the wd: Mary Learneds the 28th of Feb: Inſtant—

At a Meeting of the Selectmen At the Houſe of the Widw Mary Learned Inholdr. On the 28. Day of Feb: 1755. For the Receiving the Accts. of thoſe Perſons to whome the Town is Indebted in Order for their being Laid before the Town, The Accts. Recd: Are as follows—(viz)—

Mr. Joſiah Stearns's. Acct. For Mending the Town's Stocks	£..—.2—10—..
Mr. Thos: Saltmarſh's Mr Nathl: Harringtons and Samll Fisks Acct: for Serving As Aſseſsors Sixteen Shillings Each	.2—.8— .. —..
Samll Fisks Acct. for Entring a Caution at the Seſsions	..— 1—..—..
Mr. Benja. Hastings's Acct. For three Days & ½ work at Lt. Whitneys Houſe to fit it up to Meet in &c.	..—10—6—..
Lt. Daniel Whitneys Acct. To the Uſe of His Houſe for a Publick meeting Place Five Moneths & ½ at £4—pr. Year	.1—16—9—.2
Joſeph Maſon Esqr.s Acct. To Serving as Clerk & Treaſurer ye. Year 1754	2—13—4—..
And for warning Sundrie Perſons out of Town	..— 9—7—..
Mr. Benja. Hasting's Acct. To work and Meterials for the Great Bridge	.1—17—.8—..
Lt. Edwd. Harringtons Acct. to work Done at the Great Bridge	..—8 —.. —..
Enn. Bemis's Acct. To work done at the Great Bridge	..—.5 —4—..

Mr. John Cook's Act. To work done at the Great Bridge ..—2 —.8—..

At A Genel: Town Meeting of the Freholdrs. And Other Inhabts. of Watertown Regulerly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting Houſe in Sd. Town On The Third Day of March AD. 1755. for the Choice of Town Officers And Other Town Affairs——

Voted and Choſe Capt. John Brown to be Moderator for Sd. Meeting—

Voted and Choſe for Select Men
- Mr. John Hunt
- Capt Nathl. Coollidge
- —— Samll. Fisk
- Lt. Daniel Whitney
- Cort: Joſiah Stearns

Voted And Choſe Samll. Fisk Town Clerk — And was Sworn to Sd Office By Nathl. Harris Eſqr—

Voted And Choſe Mr. Nathanl: Harrington Town Treaſurer.

Voted And Choſe Mr. Cornelius Waldo for the firſt Conſtable—

Voted & Choſe Mr. Nehemiah Maſon for the 2d Conſtable but was Excuſed

[125] Voted and Choſe Mr. Thos: Clark for the Second Conſtable at whoſe Deſire His Brother Richard Clark Apeared to Serve in His Room, And the Question was Put whether it is the mind of the Town to Accept of the Sd. Richard Clark to Serve as Conſtable in the Room of Thos: Clark and the Vote Past in the Afirmative

Voted And Choſe for Aſseſsors
- Mr. Thos: Saltmarsh
- ——Samll. Fisk
- Mr. Nathaniel Harrington

Voted And Choſe for Sealer of Leather Mr Edmund Fowle

Voted And Choſe for fence Viewers
- Samll. Hager
- Joſeph Paterſon

Voted And Choſe for Surveyers of Highways Who are alſo Choſen Collectors—
- Moses Stone
- Samll. Barnard

Voted and Choſe for Tythingmen—
- John Cook
- Bezl. Learned

Voted And Choſe for Hogrieves—
- Thos: Learned
- Thos: Harrington

Voted And Choſe for Surveyers and Meaſurers of Timber Board Plank &c
- Jonas Coollidge
- John Brown

Voted and Choſe for Hawards
- Joſiah Bright
- Robert Learned

Voted And Choſe Peter Feſsenden Gauger of Cask

Voted And Choſe for Culler of Hoops & Staves
- Samll. Cook
- Bezl. Learned

Voted And Choſe Samll. Stratten Saxton—

Voted that the Saxton Be paid by Two Contrebutions As Uſual

Voted that Swine Run at Large this Year under the Regulations of the Law—

Then the Town Treaſurer's Acc^{ts}: were Laid before the Town Read & Accepted

The Town Treaſurer's acc^{ts}: of the Interest money was Read & Accepted—

Voted And Apropriated the Interest Money Coming to the Town This Year the Year beginning the Eleventh of Dec^{br}: Last, (viz) £30— Towards the Rev^{d}: M^{r}. Storer's Salary. And —£.. —5.—8—To the School—

[126] Voted And Granted £66—13—4— for A Salary for the Rev^{d}: Mr Seth Storer this Preſent Year. The Thirty Pounds of the Interest Money Appropriated for that Uſe to be part of S^{d}. Sum

Voted And Granted £30—..—.. for the Support of the School this Preſent Year the Five Shillings & Eight Pence of the Interest Money Appropriated for that Uſe to be part of S^{d}. Sum

—Voted & Granted £13—To Support the Poor

Then the Acc^{ts}. of thoſe Perſons to whome the Town was Indebted Amounting to the Sum of £10—15—8—2 Ware Read And Alow'd And the Sum of Ten Pounds Fifteen Shillings Eight Pence Two farthings Voted And Granted to Satisfye S^{d}. Acc^{ts}—Voted And Granted the Sum of Three Pounds Toward's the Repairing the Great Bridge—in Watertown—

Voted to Mend the ways this Year by a Rate

Voted And Granted the Sum of £40— —: For the Mending the Highways And Town ways to be Aſseſt on the Rateable Polls And Eſtates in the Town

Voted that the Price of Labour for Man and Team in Mending the ways be ye Same it was Last Year—

Voted to Sell the Ministerial Place (Excluſive of the Marsh) Provided the Rev^{d}: M^{r}. Storer Conſents to it) And Otherwiſe Provide for the Rev^{d} M^{r}. Storer—

Put to Vote whether the Town will Chooſe a Com^{tee}- for that Purpoſe—And the Vote Past in the Affirmative

Voted And Choſe M^{r}. John Hunt L^{t}. Daniel Whitney And En: Jona^{n}: Bemis A Com^{tee}. for the Ends AforeS^{d}.—

Upon a Motion Made And Seconded the Vote was put whether it is the Mind of the Town to Ajourn the Meeting to M^{r}. Thos: Saltmarshes there to Meet in About half an Hour to finish the Remaining Buſineſs of the Meeting And the Vote Past in the Affirmative It was accordingly Ajourned—

At a Genl: Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown at M^{r}. Thos: Saltmarsh On The Third Day of March 1755 By Ad-

journm^{t}: The Town proceeded in Acting upon the (14) Article Relating to the Ministerial Place And Directed their Committe on that Affair as follows (viz) To offer the Rev^{d}: M^{r}. Storer the Interest of the Money Arifing by ye Sale of the Ministerial Place in Leiu of the Improvm^{t}: of S^{d}. Premifes Dureing his Ministry in this Town And in cafe that Don't Suit the Rev^{d}: M^{r}. Storer— S^{d}. Com^{tee}- Are Directed to Look out and Purchafe a Ministerial Place Convenient to the Meeting houfe S^{d}. Committe not to Go beyound the proceeds of S^{d}. Sale in Providing another—And to Make report to the Town at the Town Meeting Next after S^{d}. Affair is Accomplished—

Voted to Sell Such Pieces of Land belonging to the Town as may be Spaered and that the Interest of the Money Arifing by S^{d}. Sales of Land be Appropriated to the Support of the Gosple Ministry in this Town

Voted and Chofe M^{r}. John Hunt L^{t}. Daniel Whitney & En^{n}: Jonathan Bemis a Com tee for the Ends AforeS^{d}: Voted alfo that Said Com^{tee}. be Impower'd

To

[127] To Joine with the Committees that are or may be Chofen By Weston & Waltham to Dispofe of the Farm belonging to Watertown Weston & Waltham—

Voted that the Bond Given to the Town by the Com^{tee}. Chofen by The Town to Remove the Meeting Houfe from Schoolhoufe Hill be Given up to S^{d}. Committee

Put to Vote whether it is the mind of the Town to Lett out the Little Island below the Mills and the other Lands by the River which were Lett Last Year. And the Vote Past in the Negative—

Voted that the Remaining Part of the Charge for Finishing the Meeting Houfe (over and Above the Grant made to Build S^{d}: Houfe) Be Raised upon the Pews that are to be Built in S^{d}. Houfe—

Sam^{ll}. Whitney Late Conftable Pleaded for the Abatement of Sundry Perfons Rates in His List (viz) Henry Seger's Rate of 4. shil: & 9 Pence Gilbert Thorntons .2 shil and 7 pence 1 Farthing Sol: Phips's 3 shil. 9—3—James Dascom's—2 fhil— 7—1 James Huits—2 fhil. 7—1— John Taynter Junr. 2 shil— 7—1— David Fosters .1 sh: 9 Amounting in the whole to £1—..—8—3—which the Town Voted to Abate

John Kembal Junr. Late Conftable Pleaded for an Abatem^{t}. of Thos: Browns Rate in his List which is 6 fhil. 6— & Jofiah Harris's—5 fhil 2^{d}. .. which Makes —11—8 which the Town Voted to abate—

The Town alfo Abated Daniel Pierces Rate in Conftable Dix's List All which abatements Make £2—17—7—2— Voted and Granted the Like Sum to make Good S^{d}. Abatements—

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of the W^{d}. Mary Learned Inhold^{r}. on Fryday the Seventh of March AD. 1755 The Officers After Mentioned Sworn By Nathl: Harris Eſq^{r}—

The Oath Reſpecting the Oth^{r}. Goverm^{ts}. Money was taken By the Selectmen } viz by { John Hunt, Nathl. Coollidge, Sam^{ll}. Fisk, Daniel Whitney, Joſiah Stearns

The following Perſon's after They Had taken the S^{d}. Money Oath were Sworne to the Faithfull Discharge of the offices to which they ware Choſen (viz) Nathl Harrington to the office of Town Treaſurer & Aſseſsor—Thos. Saltmarsh And Sam^{ll}. Fisk to the Office of Aſseſsors.

Cornelius Waldo & Richard Clark jun^{r}. } To the Office of Conſtables.

Edm^{d}: Fowle To the Office of Sealer of Leather

Joseph Paterſon to the Office of Fence Veiw^{r}: Moſes Stone & Sam^{ll}. Barnard to the Office of Survayers of Highways And Collectors—John Cook to the office of Tythingman—Thos. Learned & Thos: Harrington to the office of Hogreavs—Jonas Coollidge & John Brown to the office of Survayer and Meaſurers of Timber Board Plank & Slitwork—Josiah Bright & Robert Learned to the Office of Hawards or Field Drivers; Gager of Cask Peter Feſsenden to the Office of Gauger of Casks, Sam^{ll}. Cook to the Office of Culler of Hoops and Staves—

[128] To the Selectmen of Watertown

Gentlemen—

This May Certify that We the Subscribers have Aſsest the Rateable Polls & Eſtates of Watertown in the Sum of Forty Pounds Granted for Mending the High Ways And have Committed Lists of s^{d}. Rate or Aſseſm^{t}: to the Several Survayers who are Alſo Collectors (viz) To Mr Sam^{ll}. Barnerd the Sum of Twenty Four Pounds Fifteen Shillings & Seven Pence, And To M^{r}. Moſes Stone the Sum of Fifteen Pounds Four Shillings & Five Pence With Lawfull Warrants to Collect the Same or Se that it be work't out Agreable to the Votes of the Town—And make up with the Selectmen at or before the Last Day of Novem^{br} Next Enſewing the Date Hereof—

Watertown June 10th. 1755—/

Thos. Saltmarsh, Sam^{ll}. Fisk, Nathl. Harrington } Aſseſsors of Watertown

[129] Att A Meeting of the Select Men of Watertown at the Houſe of the W^{d}: Mary Learned Inhold^{r}. of S^{d}. Town March 24th. AD 1775.—The Surveyers Districts Were Determined as

followeth (viz) Mr Sam^{ll}. Barnards District to be the west Part of the Town to the Road that Leads by the Meetinghouſe and So over the Hill where the Meetinghouſe Lately Stood And So to Cambridge Line Near M^{r}. Thos: Willingtons M^{r}. Barnard to mend s^{d}: Road And Alſo to work out Two Pounds, Thirteen Shillings & Four Pence of His Rate East of S^{d}: Road where it may be most needed—M^{r}. Moſes Stone the Other Survayer to Mend the Roads east of the Road aforesS^{d}—

At S^{d}. Meeting The Select Men Agreed to Imploy M^{r}. Jacob Foster To keep the School for Another Quarter. And Appointed M^{r}. John Hunt & Sam^{ll}. Fisk to Treat with M^{r}. Foster And Agree with him to keep the School upon As Reaſonable Tearm's as they Can

At S^{d}. Meeting the Select men Agreed with Capt. Tainter to keep M^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Coollidge One Fortnight from the Above Date at Four Shillings and Eight Pence p^{r}. Week—

Agreed Alſo that M^{r}. Joſiah Stearns and Sam^{ll}. Fisk Go and Discourſe with the Wid^{w}. Maddox And Enquire into Her Circumſtances and Make Report at the Next Meeting—

Agreed Alſo that Mr Neth^{l} Coollidge and M^{r}. Daniel Whitney Go and Enquire of the W^{d}: Webb to know Whether she is Content to Tarry at Capt. Tainters or whether she is Deſierous to Remove to M^{r}. John Coollidges Each of them offering to take s^{d}. w^{d}: at the Rate of Twenty Four shillings old Ten P^{r} week

At a Meeting of the Select men at the Houſe of Capt. Nathl. Coollidge the Seventh Day of April: AD. 1755—Joſiah Stearns & Sam^{ll}. Fisk Reported on the Affair of the wid^{w}. Maddox as followeth—Thay went & Talk't with s^{d}. wid^{w}- And find She is very Deſierous of having a Room Provided for Her at Mr Hinds's where she formerly Lived where she thinks she can Provide for her self If she hath her Health Continewed—Upon which the Select Men Deſired Capt. Coollidge to Go and Enquire whether a Room may be Obtain'd of M^{r}. Hinds for s^{d}- Wid^{w}- And to ingage the Rent Provided S^{d}. Wid^{w}. Should not be able to Pay it—It was propos'd to Hire a Room for one Quarter first and Provided s^{d}- wid^{w}- Can make it Do Comfortably—then to Have s^{d}. Room ingaged or Hired for another Quarter & So on for the Space of a Year—At S^{d}. Meeting the Select men Agreed with M^{rs}. Coollidge the wife of M^{r}. John Coollidge to Board Mr Sam^{ll}. Coollidge at the Rate of Four Shillings p^{r}- week for the Space of one Year—Provided he Can't be Got into Some way of Buſineſs whereby he may in some meaſure Earn his Living—At S^{d}. Meeting the Select Men Ordered the Treaſurer to Pay £5—16—.. To Capt. Taynter for Boarding Sam^{ll}. Coollidge to this Date—Thay alſo Orderd the Treaſurer to Pay £7—10—4—2— To s^{d}. Capt-

for His Boarding the Wid^{w}- Webb and for Extreaordineries to the 2^{d}. Inſtant—S^{d}. Orders Signed Sam^{ll}. Fisk Town Clerk—

[130] At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Sam^{ll}. Fisk on the First Day of May A. D. 1755 The Select Men having Rec^{d}. a Precept for Chooſing A Repreſentative Ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants for Calling a Town Meeting to Chooſe a Repreſentative on the 12th- of this Inſtant May at the Publick Meeting houſe at one o-Clock After noone which was Done in the words following—(viz)

Directed to the Conſtables

Theſe are in His Majesties Name to Will and Require You forthwith to warn the freehold^{rs}- and Other Inhabitants of Watertown in Your District who are Qualifyed to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative to Aſsemble and Meet at the Publick meetinghouſe in s^{d}. Town on Munday the Twelfth Day of May Inſtant at one of the Clock afternoon then and there to Elect & Depute a Sutable Perſon to Serve for and Repreſent them in a Great and General Court or Aſsembly to be held Appointed to be Convened Held And Kep't for His Majesties Service at the Court Houſe in Boston on Weneſday the Twenty Eighth Day of May Courant Hereof Fail Not Dated at watertown May the 5th. A D-1755—P^{r}. Order of the Select men

Sam^{ll}. Fisk Town Clerke

At the Select mens Meeting Aboves^{d}. Thay Directed the Clerk to Issue out Warrants for a town Meeting on the 12- Day of May Inſtant at Two of the Clock afternoon at the Publick Meetinghouſe in s^{d}. Town For the Ends following—(viz)—(1) To Chooſe a Moderator for s^{d}. Meeting—(2) To know the mind of the Town whether they will Dispoſe of their Right in the Farm Near Watchuſet Hill (Provided the other Towns Concernd Don't Se Cauſe to Joine in S^{d}. Affair) And to paſs any Vote or Votes on s^{d}. Affair as thay shall Judge propper—(3) For the Town to Manifest whether it is their minds that their Bonds upon Interest in the Treaſurie which have one Years Interest or more Due upon them be put in Sute the Next Term Provided the Interest be not paid before—And alſo the Notes of Hand in the Treaſurie—(4) To Hear the Petition or Plea of Uriah Clark for a Conſideration on the Account of His being over Rated in the Last Town Rate—And for the Town to act their pleaſure on S^{d}. Affair—(5) To Chooſe a Saxton—(6) To Hear the Account of the Committe Choſen by the Town to build the Meeting houſe—(7) For the Town to Determin in what way and Manner they will Dispoſe of the Pews (Conſistant with the Vote already past on s^{d}. Affair) And to paſs Any Vote or Votes on Said Affair as the Town shall Judge propper—

—Warrants were Issued out accordingly—Attst. Sam^{ll}. Fisk Clerk.

At S^{d}. Meeting the Select Ordered the Conſtables Districts to be as follows the East District to be as Uſual with the Addition of Miſs^{urs}- Richard Clark His Sons Thos. and Richard Jonathan Stone John Kembal & John Kemball Junr. Daniel Bond Jonas Barnard and the W^{d}. Sibble Bright & their Eſtates—the West to be the Remainder of the Town—

[131] At A General Town Meeting of the freehold^{rs}- & Other Inhabitants of Watertown Qualifyed to Vote in the Choice of A Repreſentative Regurly aſsembled on the Twelſth Day of May A D— At the Publick meetinghouſe in said Town The Selectmen being Preſent Ordered the Clerk to Reed the warrant for s^{d}. Meeting After which the Votes were Call'd for— which when brought in Sorted And Number It Appeared that M^{r}. John Hunt was Chose by a Major part of the Votes—
At a General Town Meeting of the Freehold^{rs}- and other Inhabitants of Watertown Qualifyed to Vote in Town Affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick meetinghouſe on Munday the 12— Day of May A D- 1755—
Voted & Chose M^{r}. John Hunt Moderator for S^{d}. Meeting—
Upon A Motion Made and Seconded the Meeting and the Buſineſs of it was Adjourned to Munday the Second Day of June Next Two oClock Afternoon then to be held At the Publick Meetinghouſe in S^{d}. Town..
At a General Town Meeting of the Freehold^{rs}- and other Inhabit^{ts}- of Watertown, Qualifyed to Vote in Town Affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick Meetinghouſe on Munday the Second Day of June A D 1755. By Adjournment
Put to Vote whether it is the mind of the Town to Diſpoſe of their Right in the Farm Near Wachuſet Hill for the most it will fetch in Case the Other Towns Concern'd Dont se cauſe to Joine in S^{d}. Affair—And the Vote past in the Affirmative—
Put to Vote whether it is the mind of the Town that their Com^{tee}- viz M^{r}. John Hunt L^{t}. Daniel Whitney & En^{n}: Jonathan Bemis—Choſen Last March Meeting to Joine with Committees which Might be Chosen by Weston & Waltham, to Dispoſe of S^{d}. Farm Be the Committee to Dispoſe of Watertowns Right In S^{d}. Farm As aforeſ^{d}. And the Vote Past in the Affirmative—
Put to Vote whether it is the mind of the Town that the Bonds upon Interest in the Treaſurie which have one Year's Interest or more Due upon them Be Put in Sute the Next Term Provided the Interest be not paid before—And Likewiſe the Bonds which may be Look't upon as Hazzardous by the Treaſurer
And The Vote Past in the Affirmative
Put to Vote whether it be the Mind of the Town that the

Notes of hand in the Treaſurie be Immediatly put upon Interest to the Town or Put in Sute Next Term—and the Vote Past in the Afirmative—

Voted and Granted One Pound Five Shillings Two Pence Three Farthings to Mr Uriah Clark on Account of his being over Rated in the Last Town Rate—

Voted and Choſe M^r^. Benj^a^. Hastings Saxton—

Put to Vote whether it is the mind of the Town, that those persons who Injoy'd Pews in the former Meetinghouse Should have Pews in in the present Meetinghouſe in the Same place's where their Pews were in S^d^. former Meeting houſe Under the Regulations and upon the Terms Other Pews Shall be Dispos'd of And the Vote Pas't in the Negative

Put to Vote whether it be the Mind of the Town that the Pews be Settled upon Real Eſtate Perſonal & Faculty And one Head

And the Vote Past in the Negative

[132] Put to Vote Whether it be the mind of the Town to Settle the Pews upon Real Eſtate and one Head And the Vote Past in the Negative—Put to Vote whether it be the mind of the Town that the Pews Should be Settled upon Real & Perſonal Eſtate and one Head—

And the Vote Pas't in the Affirmative

Upon a Motion made and Seconded the Vote was put whether it is the mind of the Town to Reconſider the Last Vote

And it Past in the Negative—

Put to Vote whether it is the mind of the Town that the Valuation By which the Rate was made for Building the Meeting-houſe be the Rule by which the Pews shall be Dispos'd of

And the Vote Past in the Affirmative

Put to Vote whether it is the mind of the Town that the Pew nearest the Pulpet Stairs be reſerv'd for the Ministerial Pew

And the Vote past in the Affirmative

Voted that Mr John Sawins Real Eſtate Set to his Son John in S^d^. Valuation Should be Set to the S^d^. M^r^. John Sawin in Drawing a Pew

Voted that that part of M^r^. Moses Stones Eſtate which was Set to his Mother in the Valuation AforeS^d^. be Set to S^d^. Moses Stone in the Dispoſition of the Pews—

Voted that the Real Eſtate of M^r^. Jonathan Brown Set to his Son Jonathan in S^d^. Valuation Be Set to the S^d^. M^r^. Jonathan Brown in the Adjusting of the Pews—

Voted that the Eſtate's of Mr Oliver Livermore M^r^. Nethaniel Bright and M^r^. Sam^ll^. Coollidge Deceas't Have their Chance in Drawing Pews—

Voted that thoſe Perſons to whom the Pews shall be Granted

or who Shall Draw the Pews, Personaly Set in them Uſualy with their Families or S^{d}. Pews Shall Revart to the town
Voted that when any Perſons Shall Se cauſe to Sell their Pews the Town Shall have the Refuſal of S^{d}. Pews Paying the Money Rais'd on S^{d}. Pews—
Voted that If any Persons Sell their Eſtates and Move out of Town, Their Pews Shall Revert to the Town, The Town Paying or Reimburſting to them the Money Paid by them for S^{d}. Pews—
Voted that thoſe Perſons who are Reputed Members of the Church of England have a Chance for Drawing Pews And Enjoy the Pews they Shall Draw So long as they Pay their Proportion to the Meetinghouſe & Support of the Minister in this Town—Which if they Refuſe to Do S^{d}. Pews Shall Revart to the Town for the Town to Dispoſe of as they Shall See fitt—
Voted that the Money to be Rais'd upon the Pews be Paid by the Perſons who shall Draw the Pews Each one his proportion by the first Day of July Next Enſewing which if they Refuſe or Neglect to Do their Pews shall revert to the Town to be dispos'd of as the Town Shall See fitt
Voted that the Aſseſsors be the Com^{tee}. to Make the adjustm^{t}. of the Charge to be Laid upon the Pews And to offer the Pews to

[133] Perſons According to their Pay the highest Payer first and so on Succeſsively
Voted And Adjourned this Meeting and the Remaining Buſineſs of the Meeting to Munday the 16 Day of June Inſtant Two of the Clock After Noone to this Place—

At A General Town Meeting of the Free holders and other Inhabitants of Watertown, Qualifyed to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Aſsembled at the Publick Meetinghouſe in S^{d}. Town on Munday the Sixteenth Day of June A D. 1755—By Adjournm^{t}-The Accounts of the Committe Choſen by the Town to build the Meetinghouſe Ware Read which in the General are as follows—

To the Contract with M^{r}. Peirpoint & Evans £4840—Old Ten		
To Services done by Perſons & Meterials Procured		360—1—1
To Alowance for Finishing the Meetinghouſe		51—.—
		£5251—1
Granted by the Town—£4500—old Ten		
Meterials of the former		4651—1
house Sold	151—1—..	
	4651—1	£0600—0

Put to Vote whether it is the Mind of the Town to accept the Committes account And that Six hundred Pounds old Ten Be Rais'd upon the Pews for Compleating the Houſe—

And the Vote Past in the Affirmative

Voted and Adjourned this Meeting to the Second Day of July Next at Ten of the Clock in the forenoon then to Meet at this place—And that the Aſseſsors proceed in Adjusting & Disposing of the Pews in the Mean time—

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Sam^{ll}. Fisk the 16 of June 1755—When M^{r}. Wyeth of Cambridge brought Ruth Maddox who was bound out by the Selectmen & Exchanged Indentures—at s^{d}. Meeting the Selectmen Agreed to Hire Mr Jacob Foster to keep the School Another Quarter—

At a General Town Meeting of the Freehold^{rs}. and other Inhabitants of Watertown Qualifyed to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Aſsembled at the Publick Meetinghouse in S^{d}. Town on Wednisday the Second Day of July AD. 1755. By Adjournment—

Put to Vote whether it is the mind of the Town that the Com^{tee}- for Building the Meetinghouſe be the Perſons to Receive the Money Voted to be rais'd Upon the Pews, And the Vote Past in the Affirmative—

Voted that Capt John Brown be Directed to Give Receipts to Perſons (who Shall Pay their Money for their Pews) in the Name of the Com^{tee}-

[134] Put to Vote whether it be the Mind of the Town to accept of and Confirm what the Aſseſsors have Done as a Com^{tee}- in Proportioning the Money Voted to be rais'd upon the Pews, and the Disposition they have made of S^{d}. Pews,

And the Vote Past in the Affirmative

Voted that the Com^{tee}- for Building the Meetinghouſe Be and hereby Are Directed and Impowered to Receive the Money of thoſe Perſons who have not yet Paid the proportionable part of the Charge Laid upon the Pews they have Chosen or Pitch't upon Provided the Money be Paid on or before Munday Next, & in Caſe they Neglect or Refuſe to Pay by that time S^{d}. Com^{tee}- Shall offer S^{d}. Pews to the Next highest Payers and So on Succeſsively Untill S^{d}. Pews are Dispos'd of and the Money Aſsest upon them Paid by thoſe who shall Receive S^{d}. Pews—

The following is a list of the Names of the Perſons to whome the Pews were Granted with their Prime Cost 1755

	Names	Invoice £	Invoice s	Sums aſseſt £	Sums aſseſt s	Sums aſseſt d
Leiu^{t}	Edw:^{d} Harrington	115	3	25	4	11
wid^{o}	Ruth Livermore	114	16	25	3	3
Leiu^{t}:	Daniel Whitney	105	8	23	1	11
	Rich^{d}: Clark	101	18	22	7	—
M^{r}.	John Hunt	97	10	21	6	11
	Jonas Bond Esqr	90	4	19	14	5
	Jona^{n}: Bemis	86	4	18	15	10
wid^{o}	Sibel Bright	86	4	18	15	10
	Saml Fisk	84	18	18	11	5
	Moſes Stone	82	8	18	1	2
Capt	John Brown	80	18	17	12	8
	John Kemball	79	2	17	6	6
	Henry Spring	78	6	17	—	2
	Jona^{n}: Brown	76	12	16	15	8
	Josiah Stearnes	74	16	16	7	11
	Nathl Harris Esqr	74	6	16	7	6
	Saml: Benjamin	73	4	16	1	—
	Jos^{h} Harrington	71	13	15	14	—
	Jona^{n}: Stone	68	14	15	—	10
	Amos Bond	65	16	14	8	5
	Saml: Jeniſon	65	14	14	7	9
	Saml: Barnard	63	16	13	19	7
	Andrew White	60	2	13	3	6
	Eben^{r} Goddard	59	18	12	19	9
	Jonas Coollidge	58	18	12	18	5
	Edmund Fowle	57	16	12	13	4
	John Cook	57	8	12	10	10
	Joseph Patterſon	56	16	12	9	1
	Nathl Harrington	55	10	12	2	8
	John Whitney	54	..	11	16	—
Capt:	Nathl Coollidge	51	4	11	4	4
	Saml: Hager	50	18	11	3	—
	John Sawin	50	16	11	2	5
	John Coollidge	50	6	10	19	2
	Joseph Mason Esqr	50	4	10	18	9
Capt:	John Tainter	49	6	10	15	—
	Daniel Bond	49	6	10	15	—
	Nathl Stone	46	16	10	5	3
Capt:	David Bauldwin	45	6	9	18	10
		600″	0	0	..	..

Thos Saltmarſh
Nathl Harrington } Committee
Sam:^{l} Fisk

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[136] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of the w^{d}. Mary Learned Inholder—On Munday the First Day of Sep^{br}: A D. 1755—To Confider of the List of Perfons Licenced Last Year—The Selectmen in their Return Signifyed they had nothing to Object to their Having their Licences Renew'd—

At Said Meeting the Selectmen Ordered the Clerk to Send Letters to Notify the Selectmen of Weston and Waltham to Meet with the Selectmen of Watertown on Munday the Fifteenth of Sep^{br}- Inftant, At the Houfe of M^{r}. Richard Cutten of S^{d}. Waltham, Inhold^{r}- The Selectmen of Waltham to be notifyed to Meet at S^{d}. Cuttens on s^{d}- Day At one of the Clock afternoon Precisely to Adjust the Charge of the Poor Jointly Supported by Watertown & Waltham—According to the terms on which Waltham was Set off From Watertown—The Selectmen of Weston to Meet at three of the Clock s^{d}. Afternoone at s^{d}. Place with the Selectmen of Watertown & Waltham—to Adjust the Accoumpts of the Charge of the Great Bridge in S^{d}. Watertown mutualy—Suported by S^{d}. Towns—

And Likewife to Defire the Selectmen of Weston to Infert it as an Article in their warrant for their Next Town Meeting—To know their minds' whether they will Choofe a Com^{tee}- to Joine with Watertown & Walthams Com^{tee}'s to Devide the Farm belonging to S^{d}. Towns—in Cafe they are Determin'd not to Sell their Right in S^{d}. Farm—Letters were Sent Accordingly pr. Sam^{ll}. Fisk Town Clerk

At. S^{d} Meeting the Selectmen ordered the Clerk to Order the Town Treafurer to Pay M^{r}. Jacob Foster Our prefent Schoolmaster for his keeping the School the Second Quarter—

The Selectmen of Weston Sent Letters to the Selectmen of Watertown And Waltham Signifying they Could not attend to Meet at the time Appointed upon the Affair of the Great Bridge and appointed to Meet on Fryday the Ninteenth at one of the Clock afternoon at Rich^{d}. Cuttens—

[137] At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham at M^{r}. Richard Cuttens at Waltham, on the Nineteenth Day of Septem^{r}. AD. 1755—The Charge of the Great Bridge in Watertown was Adjusted between S^{d}. Town's—as Followeth—

1752—Watertowns Cost for Repairs of ye Great Bridge in said Town Since ye Last Adjustm^{t}: on Feb: 11— 1752—

To Jonathan Bemis to 3 Days work of His Team and 4½ of a man	£..—13—4
To Benj^{a}. Hastings for work and care of the Great Bridge in 1752	.1—12—.

To Edwd. Harrington to 2 Days work of A Team & Three & ½ of a man and 2 Days of a Lad Carting Gravil to the Great Bridge	..—12—..
To Capt David Baldwin for 115 Feet of Slitwork for S^{d}. Bridge	..—.5 —5
To David Livermore for Dogs & Speek for the Great Bridge	..—1 —6
To Jonas Coollidge for Six feet of Timber for the Great Bridge	..—3 —6
1753—To David Livermore for Speeks and Dogs for the Great Bridge	..— 2 —9
To Benj^{a}: Hasting for work Done at the Great Bridge in 1753	1—8 —8
1754—To Benj^{a}. Hastings for Work and Meterials for the Great Bridge	—1—17—8
To L^{t}. Edwd A · Harrington for work Done At the Great Bridge	..—.8 —..
To Enf^{n}- Jonathan Bemis for work Done at the Great Bridge	..—5 —.4
To John Cook for work Done at the Great Bridge	..—2 —8
	£7—12—11
Due from Weston to Watertown by the Adjustm^{t}- Feb: 11—1752	£1—8—11
Paid to Watertown in Cash	..—8—9—2
	£1—..—1—2

Weston's Charg on the Great Bridge in Watertown Since the last Adjustment—Feb. 11—1752—

To M^{r}. John Walker for Labour And Slitwork for Watertown Bridge	£1—2 —
To M^{r}. Henry Spring for Six Days work at S^{d}. Bridge	..—16— ..
To M^{r}. Benj^{a}. Harrington for 94 Feet of Plank for S^{d}. Bridge	..—18—9
To. M^{r}. John Mirick Junr- for 371 Feet of Plank for S^{d}. Bridge	..3—14—3
To M^{r}. Stimfon for Plank for S^{d}. Bridge	2—.2 —.
	£8—13— ..
	7—12—11
Total	£16—5 —11

Province Tax.

Watertowns	133—.7
Westons	193—16
Walthams	124—10
	369—13
Watertowns Part	£5—17—6
Westons Part	4—18—5
Walthams Part	5—10—
	16—.5—11
Watertown hath over Paid	1—15—5
Weston hath over Paid	3—14—7
—Due from Waltham—	£5—10—..

This Ballance of £5—10 Set to waltham's Acc^{t}:
See Page 48—Treaſurie—

Due from Waltham to Watertown by the Adjustment Feb: 11—1752 £5—1—2

To which Adjustm^{t}. The Selectmen of Each Town Set their Names as follows

John Hunt—
Sam^{ll}. Fisk
Daniel Whitney
Joſiah Stearns—
} Selectmen of Watertown

Abijah Upham
Nathan Fisk
Abraham Biglow
Eben^{r}: Hobbs
Isaac Allen
} Selectmen of Weston

Sam^{ll}. Livermore
Jonat^{n}. Sanderſon
John Ball
} Selectmen of Waltham

[138] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of John Hunt Esq: Ordered that the Town Treaſurer be Directed to Send out Executions Against the Delinquent Conſtables for their deficiency in Collecting the Town Rates—

At a Meeting of the Selectmen At the Publick meeting houſe in S^{d}. Town On Munday the Sixth Day of Octo^{r}- A D. 1755—Agreed that the Treaſurer be ordered to Pay M^{r}. Jacob Foster for His Keeping the School the Third Quarter—
At S^{d}. Meeting the Selectmen Ordered the Clark to Issue out Warrants for a Genl: Town Meeting to Be on the Munday Following (viz) on the 13th- of October Inſtant At one of the Clock afternoon At the Publick meetinghouſe in s^{d}. Town—for the Ends following (viz)

(1.) To Choofe a Moderator for S^{d}. Meeting—
(2) To know the mind of the Town whether they will appropriate a Sum of Money in the Treafurie unappropriated Alfo a Sum of money Due from Waltham; To be Improved with the Proceeds of the Sale of the Parfonage in Purchafing another, By their Com^{tee}- Appointed for that Purpofe—And in Cafe S^{d}. Sum's and Proceeds shall be Judged Infoficient for that Purpofe—Then to know the mind of the Town whether they will Grant Such a Sum of money to be Aded thereto as will be Sufficient to inable s^{d}. Com^{tee}- to Accomplish s^{d}. Affair—Or for the Town to Come into Any other Meafures whereby S^{d}. Affair may be accomplished—

Warrants were Issued Out Accordingly by Sam^{ll}. Fisk Town Clerk—

At A General Town Meeting of the Frehold^{rs}- And other Inhabi^{ts}: of Watertown Regulerly Afsembled at the Publick Meetinghoufe in S^{d}. Town On Munday the Thirteenth $^{day}_{A}$ of Octob^{r}- AD—1755—
Voted and Chofe John Hunt Efq^{r}. Moderator for S^{d}. Meeting—
(1) The Vote was Put whether it be the mind of the Town to Appropriate the Money in the Treafurie (Unappropriated) which was Paid in by their Reprefentative And Alfo a Sum of Money Due from Waltham to Watertown to be Improved in Purchafing a Parfonage And that their Com^{tee}- Appointed for that Purpofe be Directed and Impowered to Receive and Improve s^{d}: Monies for the Ends AforeSaid—And the Vote Past in the Affirmative
(2) Put to Vote whether it be the mind of the Town to Appropriate the Sum of Sixty Six Pounds Thirteen $^{shillings}_{A}$ and four Pence of the proceeds of the Sale of the Farm Near Wachufet Hill to be improved by—

S^{d}.

[139] S^{d}. Com^{tee}- for the Ends and Purpofes Afores^{d}.
And the Vote Past in the Affirmative

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of M^{rs}. Mary Learned Octo. 13 (1755 Appointed to Meet at M^{r}. David Coollidges on Munday the 20th- of Octob^{r}- A D—1775—In order to take Sum further Care of M^{rs}. Maddocks and alfo to take care of the Towns Stock of Powder—&c—

At a Meeting of The Selectmen at the Houfe of M^{r}. David Coollidge on Munday Octob^{r}- 20th AD—1755. with Refpect to M^{rs}. Maddocks the Selectmen Agreed to Make sum further Enquirie where Shee may be Well & Reafonably taken care of—The Selectmen Viewed the Towns Stock of Ammanition And found the Powder somwhat Damnifyed for want of being Stird; And Determined to Procure Some other place for to keep S^{d}.

Ammanition in (It having for sundry Years Past been keep't in the Milhouſe Chamber that was formerly Deacon Joſeph Coolidges) And were of Opinion that the Meetinghouſe was the most proper place for it to be kept for the future—:
At Said Meeting the Selectmen Directed the Clerk to Order the Treaſurer to pay Or order the Payment of the Town Credit^{rs}- the Sums of money Due to them which was Granted Last march —And alſo the Payment of what was Granted to Uriah Clark at may Meeting.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of M^{r}. Joſiah Stearns Nov^{br}. 17th- AD. 1755. Agreed that John Hunt Eſq: & L^{t}. Daniel Whitney Go to M^{r}. Hind's's and inform Him that the Selectmen Deſire that He would So far Provide for M^{rs}. Maddocks as not to let her Suffer And the Selectmen promis him Reaſonable Alowance for it — —
At S^{d}. Meeting the Major Part of the Selectmen Agreed to try M^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Coollidge againe in the School And to Pay him According as he shall perform—And to keep him No Longer in the School than He shall keep it Regurlerly and well—

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of M^{rs}. Mary Learned Inholder on Munday Jan^{y}: 5—AD 1756—Ordered the Town Treaſurer to Pay the Remaining Part of of the Grant for Building the Meetinghouſe to Capt. John Brown & Others a Com^{tee}- Choſen by the Town for that Purpoſe
At A Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday Jan: 26th- AD 1756 at the Houſe of John Hunt Eſq: Upon the Affaire of the French Familie Sent into the Town by Order of the Genl: Court- Agreed that M^{r}. Hunt Take the Care of of S^{d}. Familie And Provide Wood And other Neceſsaries for them at the Charge of the Town—till Further Order—At S^{d}. Meeting Ordered the Clark to Give order to the Town Treaſurer to Pay Sixteen Shillings to M^{r}. Simon Tainter of Weſtborough for Boarding M^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Coollidge one Moneth—And Charge it to Said Coollidge—And Alſo ordered the Clark to Iſsue out a warrant to warn out one Abigail Branch out of Town She now Reſiding in it—

[140] At A Meeting of the Selectmen on Munday Feb: 16. A D. 1756 At the Houſe of L^{t}. Daniel Whitney—Order^{d}. The Town Treaſurer to Pay Nine Shillings & Four Pence to Capt. John Tainter for keeping Mr Sam^{ll}. Colidge Two weeks in April Last—to be Charg'd to S^{d}. Coollidge—
At S^{d}. Meeting the Selectmen Deſired Capt. Coollidge to Procure a Pair of Briches. A Pair of Shoes and Stockings A Shirt and Hankerchief for S^{d}. Coollidge
At s^{d}. Meeting the Selectmen Gave ord^{r}. to the Town Treaſurer to Pay One Pound—Four shillings to Capt^{t} Nathl. Coollidge

in Part for His Boarding His Brother Sam^{ll} Coollidge And to Charge it to S^{d}. Sam^{ll}. Coollidge—

At S^{d}. Meeting the Selectmen Directed the Town Clark to Iſsue out Warrants to the several Conſtables to Warne the Inhabi^{ts}- of Watertown to meet at ye Publick Meetinghouſe in S^{d}. Town On Munday the First Day of March Next at Nine of the Clock in the Morning—which was done Accordingly—the Warrants Contain'd the Following Articles—(viz) (1) To Chooſe a Moderator for s^{d}. meeting (2) To Chooſe Selectmen A Town Clerk Town Treaſurer a Conſtable or Conſtables Aſseſsors And All Other Such Town Officers Required by Law to be Choſen in the month of March Annually (3) To Chooſe a Saxton And Agree how he shall be Paid for his Service (4) To Put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer (5) To know the mind of the Town whether Swine Shall Run at Large und^{r}. the Regulations of the Law—(6) To Hear the Town Treaſurers Acc^{ts}- and to paſs upon them (7) For the Town to Appropriate the Interest money Coming to the Town this preſent year the year beginning the Eleventh of Decemb^{r}. Last. (8) To Grant the Rev^{d}. m^{r}. Seth Storers Salary for the Enſewing Year the Year beginning the First Day of March Next—(9) To Grant money for the Soport of the School—10 To Grant money for the Support of the Poor the Enſewing year—(11) To Hear the Accouts of thoſe perſons to whome the Town is Indebted And to Grant money to Pay them (12) To Grant money for the Repairing the Great Bridge in Watertown (13) To know the mind of the Town whether they will mend their Highways & Town ways By A Rate the Enſewing year And if So then to Grant a Sum of money for S^{d}. Purpoſe And for the Town to Agree upon the Price of Labour in Working out s^{d}. Rate And for the Town to Chooſe the Survayers of Highways to be Collectors of S^{d}. Rate or to See that it be Carefully work't out—within the Year—(14) To Hear the Pleas of Some Late Conſtables for Abatem^{t}. of Some Perticuler Perſons Rates in their Lists And for the Town to act their Pleaſure thereon—(15) To Hear the Petition of Jonas Bond Eſq^{r} And Others Relating to the Watering Place on the North Side of the Town Called Bisco's Spring And for the Town to Act their Pleaſure on S^{d}. Affair (16) To know the mind of the Town whether they will Employ M^{r}. Sam^{ll}- Coollidge to keep the School the Enſewing Year or Any Part thereof (17) To Hear the Petition of the Wid^{w} Eliſabeth Learned Praying the Town to Chooſe and Impower a Com^{tee}- to Give her a Deed of the Land bought of the Town by Her Late Husband, and for the Town to Act on S^{d}. Affair as they shall See fit—And to Direct the Conſtables to notifie Such Perſons to whome the Town is Indebted to bring in their acc^{ts}. to the Selectmen at the Houſe of the Wid^{w}- Mary Learned of S^{d}. Town Inhold^{r}- on Friday Feb:

27. Courant at three of the Clock Afternoon Warrants were Iſsued out Accordingly P^r^. Sam^ll^. Fisk Town Clerk—

[141] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of the Wid^w^ Mary Learned Inhold^r^ on Fryday Feb- 27th- 1756—To Receive the Acc^ts^. of thoſe Perſons to whome the Town is Indebted In Ord^r^- to have them Laid before the Town, for their Allowance—

—The Acc^ts^- Are as Followeth—viz—

To M^r^. Nathaniel Harrington for Serving as Treaſurer for the Year 1755	£2—13—4
To Thos: Saltmarsh Nathaniel Harrington & Sam^ll^. Fisk for Serving As Aſseſsors for the Year—1755—Sixteen Shillings Each	2—8—..
To Sam^ll^. Fisk for Entring A Caution at the Seſsions	..—.1—6
To Jonas Barnard for a Plank for a Bridge Near M^r^. Stearns's	..—.1—6
To L^t^. Daniel Whitney for two Large Stones for a Bridg near M^r^. Stearn^ss^..	..—3—..
To Jonas Coollidge For 30 Feet of Plank for a Small Bridge	..—.4—..
To Thos. Giles for mending the Schoolhouſe windows	..—.8—10
To Benj^a^. Hastings for A Padlock and Bell Rope for the Meetinghouſe	..—.3—.7
To Thos. Giles for Mending the windows of the Ministerial Houſe	..—10—.7
To L^t^. Daniel Whitney for Speaks & for Work Done at the Great Bridge	..—15—10—2
To Benj^a^- Hastings for Work Done at the Great Bridge	1—.1—6
To the Eſtate of David Livermore for Speaks for the Great Bridge	..—.2—5—
To John Cook for work Done at the Great Bridge	..—.2—8
To Capt. David Baldwin for 676—Feet of Plank at 1/6 O Ten P^r^. foot for the Great Bridge	.6—15—.2
	£15—11—11

At A General Town Meeting of The Freehold^rs^- and Other Inhabitants of Watertown Qualify'd to Vote in Town Affairs—Regurly Aſsembled at the Publick Meetinghouſe in S^d^. Town on Munday the First Day of March AD—1756—

Voted And Choſe Joſiah Converſe Eſq^r^. Moderator For S^d^: Meeting—

Voted and Choſe for Selectmen
- Jonas Bond Eſq:
- Josiah Converſe Eſq:
- M^r^. Ebenez^r^: Stone
- Capt. Edwd. Harrington—
- —Sam^ll^. Fisk—

Voted And Choſe for Town Clerk—Sam^{ll}. Fisk
Voted And Choſe for Town Treaſurer. Sam^{ll}. Fisk
Voted And Choſe for Conſtables { Jonathan Bemis Junr-
Jonas Bond Junr-
Voted And Choſe for Aſseſsors { Sam^{ll}. Fisk
Nathaniel Harrington
John Kemball Junr-

[142] Voted and Choſe for Sealer of Leather Edmund Fowle—
Voted And Choſe for Fence Viewers— { Sam^{ll}. Whitney
Jonas White—
Voted And Choſe for Survayers of High ways Town ways. And Alſo Collectors— { Sam^{ll}. White
Amos Bond
Voted and Choſe for Tythingmen— { David Sanger
Thos: Learned—
Voted and Choſe for Hogrieves— { Daniel Sawin
Berz^{l}: Learned
Voted And Choſe for Survayers & Meaſurers of Timber Plank Board Slitwork &c— { Jonas Coollidge
Thos. Learned—

Voted And Adjourned this Meeting And the Remaining Buſineſs of it to Fryday the Seventh Inſtant at Eleven o Clock in the forenoone to this place

At A Gener^{l}: Town Meeting of The Freehold^{rs}- And other Inhabitants of Watertown Qualifyed to Vote in Town Affairs Aſsembled and Met at the Publick meetinghouſe in S^{d}. Town on Fryday the Seventh Day of March—AD. 1756 By Adjournm^{t}— After the Moderator Had Opened the Meeting the Town Proceeded In the Choice of Town Officers—

Voted And Choſe for Hawards or Field Drivers { Jonathan Stone
Jonathan Brown Junr-
Voted And Choſe for Gauger of Casks Sam^{ll}. Cook—
Voted And Choſe for Culler of Hoops & Staves— { Sam^{ll}. Cook
Smith Prentice
Voted And Choſe for Dearieves— { Thos. Saltmarsh
Corne^{s}: Waldo—

The Town Brought in their Votes for a County Treaſurer & Register—
Voted And Choſe for Saxton Benj^{a}- Hastings—Voted to Pay the Saxton By Two Contrabutions As Uſual—
Voted that Swine be Shut up And not Suffer'd to Run at Large the Preſent year—
Then the Town Treaſurers Acc^{ts}- were Read—And the Vote was Put Whether it be the mind of the Town to Accept the Town Treaſurers Acc^{ts}- And the Vote Pas't in the Affirmative—

Voted And Apropriated the Interest money Coming to the Town the prefent Year the Year beginning the Eleventh of Decemb^{r}. Last in the Following Manner—(viz)—

[143] Five Shillings And Eight pence to the School and the Remainder to the Ministry—
Voted And Granted Sixty Six Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Four Pence for a Salary for the Rev^{d}: M^{r}. Seth Storer the Prefent Year the Year beginning the First of March Inftant—the Interest money Appropriated to that ufe to be Part of S^{d}. Sum—
Voted And Granted the Sum of Forty Pounds for the Support of the School the prefent Year the Interest money Appropriated to that ufe to be part of s^{d}. Sum
Voted And Granted Thirteen Pounds Six Shillings and Eight Pence for the Support of the Poor the Prefent year—
Then the Town Creditors Acc^{ts}- ware Read Amounting to the Sum of Fifteen Pounds Eleven Shillings & Eleven Pence Two Farthings (As Entred in Page 141) Allow'd Voted & Granted S^{d}. Sum to Satisfye S^{d}. Acc^{ts}-
Voted And Granted Six Pounds for the Repairing the Great Bridge the prefent Year—
Voted to Mend the Highways And Town Ways by A Rate the prefent Year—
Voted And Granted Forty Pounds for that Purpofe—Voted that the Price of Labour in Working out s^{d}. Rate be the Same it was Last Year—
Voted to Abate Several Perfons Rates in Conftable Fowles List—(viz)

David Fosters Rate which is	£2—3—3—1	S^{d}. Rates Abated & Granted the Like Sum to make them Good
John Clarks Rate	..—4—8—3	
James Dascoms	..—4—8—3	
Benj^{a}- Whitneys	..—4—8—3	
John Pitchers Rate	.1—10—1—3	
And in Conftables Clarks List—		
Vicarys Rate	..—4—5—..	

Then the Article was Read Relating to the Watering Place Call'd Bisco's Spring upon which A Petition was Exhibited Signed By Jonas Bond Efq^{r}. And others And After Debate thereon, the Vote was Put whether it be the Mind of the Town that the Land which Lies to Bisco's Spring Should Still Ly Common And Not be Sold; And the Vote Past in the Affirmative—
Then the (16) Article was Read Relating to M^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Coollidges Keeping the School—And After Some Debate thereon the Vote was Put whether it be the mind of the Town that M^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Coollidge should keep the School the Enfewing year or So much of it as the Selectmen or a Com^{tee}- Appointed for that Purpofe Shall Judge that He keeps it Regurlerly and well

And the Vote Past in the Affirmative
Voted that the Select men be the Comtee- to Manage Sd. Affair-
Then the (17th) Article Was Read Relating to the Widw- Elisabeth Learneds Request to the Town to Choose and Impour a Comtee- to Give Her a Deed of the Land bought of the Town by her Late Husband—And After Debate on Sd. Affair the Vote was Put whether the Town will Chose & Impower a Comtee- for that Purpose & It Past in the Affirmative—Voted and Chose John Hunt Esq: Ensn. Jonathan Bemis & Lt. Daniel Whitney. A Comtee- to manage Sd. Affair—

[144] At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of Mrs. Mary Learned Inholdd- On the Fifth Day of March—AD—1756 —For the Swaring Town Officers &c
The Persons Afternamed took the Oath Respecting Paper money of other Goverments—And Also to their Respective offices By John Hunt Esqr- (viz)
Jonas Bond Esq: Josiah Converse Esqr. Ensn. Ebener. Stone Capt. Edward Harrington And Samll. Fisk Selectmen—
Samll. Fisk
Nathl: Harrington
& John Kemball Junr } To the Office of Assessors
Jonas Bond Junr.
Jonathan Bemis Junr. } To the Office of Constable's
Edmund Fowle to the Office of Sealer of Leather
Samll. Whitney
& Jonas White } To the Office of Fence Viewers
Samll. White
& Amos Bond } To the Office of Survayers of Highways & Collectors
David Sanger
& Thos: Learned } To the office of Tythingmen
Berzal- Learned to the Office of Hogrieve-
Jonas Coollidge
& Thos: Learned } To the Office of Survayers of Timber &c—
Jonathan Stone
& Jonathn. Brown Junr. } To the Office of Field Drivers
Samll. Cook to the Office of Culler of Hoops & Staves—

At A Meeting of the Freeholdrs- And Other Inhabitants of Watertown (Call'd by A Warrant From Samll. Livermore Esqr- Assembled and met at the Publick Meetinghouse in Sd Town on Tuesday the Ninth Day of March—AD—1756—(The Major Part of the Selectmen present being of Opinion, that Said Meeting was not Legaly Warn'd Did Openly And Publickly Protest against Sd. Meetings being Opened—
Notwithstanding Said Inhabitants Proceeded as followeth)
Voted & Chose Jonas Bond Esqr. Moderator
Put to Vote whether it be the mind of the Town to Grant a Way

from the North Country Road beginning at the Norwest Corner of the Land of Jonas Bond Eſq: which He Purchaſed of the Town Two Rods wide from M^{r}. Henry Springs Bounds Leading to the Place where the meetinghouſe Lately Stood And From thence to the End of the Lane which Leads to the Meetinghouſe
And the Vote Past in the Affirmative
Put to Vote whether it be the mind of the Town to Grant a way from S^{d}. Country Road beginning Near the Houſe of M^{r}. John Kemball Two Rods wide From M^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Barnards wall Leading to the End of the Lane As above Discribed
And the Vote Paſt in the Affirmative

[145] Put to Vote whether it be the mind of the Town to Chooſe and Impower a Comtee to Lay out S^{d}. Ways Agreable to the articles Contained in the Warrant. And the Vote Pas't in the Affirmative
Voted to Chooſe Three Perſons for S^{d}. Com^{tee}-
Voted & Choſe M^{r}. James Bailey M^{r}. Nathaniel Stone & M^{r}. Jonathan Brown Junr. for the Com^{tee}- Afores^{d}—

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of M^{rs}. Learned Inhold^{r}- in Watertown on the Nineteenth Day of March—1756—The Selectmen Agreed With M^{r}. Eben^{r}- Hinds to keep the Wid^{w}- Maddocks at at the Rate of three Shillings & Four Pence p^{r}. Week till Further Order—
At S^{d}. Meeting Agreed that Mr Thos: Learned be Deſired to take care of the Great Bridge
At S^{d}. Meeting Two Petitions were prefer'd (viz) one Sign'd John Kembal & others—And another Sign'd Isaac Sanderſon & others—were Read & Conſidered and Defer'd to the Next meeting—

At A Meeting of the Selectmen on the 29th- Day of March AD—1756—At the Houſe of M^{rs}- Mary Learned Inhold^{r}- Sam^{ll}. Fisk was Sworne to the Office of Town Clerk & Town Treaſurer By Joſiah Converſe Eſq:—
At S^{d}. Meeting the Selectmen Gave ord^{r}. to Mr Nathaniel Harrington to Deliver the Books Bonds & All other Articles under his Care as Treaſurer to Sam^{ll}. Fisk Preſent Treaſurer—
At S^{d}. Meeting Agreed with Capt. John Tainter to keep the Wid^{w}- Webb after the Rate of Three Shillings & Six pence pr. Week for the Space of one Year from the Second Day of April 1756 And to be Alowed for Extraordinaries—
At Said Meeting Agreed with M^{r}. Jonas Coollidge to Procure Plank for one Peer of the Great Bridge—And Some Slitwork for the Rails &c—And Appointed Capt. Edward Harrington to Inſpect the Mending of the S^{d}. Bridge—
At S^{d}. Meeting the Selectmen Appointed M^{r}. Moses Harring-

ton to take Care that the Law Reſpecting Burying Dogs &c Be put in Execution—
At Said Meeting the Selectmen Appointed the Survayers of Highways their Districts as followeth (viz) M^{r}. Amos Bonds District to be the East part of the Town from the Road Beginning at the Meetinghouſe & Runing over the Hill where the Meetinghouſe Lately Stood and So to Cambridge Line Near M^{r}. Thos. Willingtons—And Mr Sam^{ll}- Whites District to be the West Part of the Town from the Road AforeS^{d}. And to Mend the whole of S^{d}. Road
At S^{d}. Meeting the Selectmen Gave ord^{r}. to the Town Treaſurer to Pay Nine Pounds Eight Shillings & Eleven Pence one Farthing out of the Town Treaſurie to Capt. John Taynter for his Keeping the W^{d}. Webb from the Second Day of April 1755 To the Second Day of April 1756—And for Extraordinaries By Him Procured for Her—
The Petitions Entred as Preſented at Last Meeting for Laying out ways were Read & Conſidered—Judg'd unreaſonable & Dismis't—

[146] At A Meeting of the Selectmen on the Ninteenth Day of April AD. $^{1756}_{\wedge}$ At the Houſe of M^{rs}. Mary Learned Inhold^{r}- the Selectmen Agreed to Perambulate the Line's between this And the Adjacent Towns on Friday the Thirtieth Day of this Inſtant April—And Appointed Capt. Edwd. Harrington & Sam^{ll}. Fisk to Joine with Such perſons as Shall be appointed by the Selectmen of the Adjacent Towns to Do S^{d}. Service—
At A Meeting of the Selectmen on the Twenty Sixth Day of April A D. 1756—At the Houſe of M^{rs}- Mary Learned Inhold^{r}- the Selectmen being inform'd that John Coffin & Suſanna his wife & Two Children $^{\text{of Townſhend}}_{\wedge}$ Thos. Cummings His wife and two Children of Cambridge Mary Boyinton & One Child from Lexington, Abigail Branch of Boston & Thos- Flowers of MaryLand Are Come into & Do Reſide in Watertown Whome the Selectmen Refuſe to Receive as Inhabitants of Watertown AforeS^{d}- Gave ord^{r} to the Clerk to Issue out A Warrant to Warne S^{d}. Perſons out of Town—which was Dun Accordingly—
Att^{t}- Sam^{ll} Fisk Town Cler Return'd And Cautions Entred $^{\text{at}}_{\wedge}$ May Court
—At said Meeting the Selectmen Agreed upon a Town Meeting to be on the Third Day of May Next at one of the Clock Afternoon at the Publick Meeting houſe in S^{d}. Town for the Choice of A Repreſentitv—And alſo That there be a Town Meeting on the S^{d}. Third Day of May at two of the Clock afternoon at the Publick Meeting houſe in s^{d}. Town for the Ends following (viz)
(1) To Chooſe a Moderator for S^{d}. Meet (2) For the Town to make addition to and Regulate the List of Juriors as they shall think propper—To know the mind of the Town whether

they will Choofe a perfon to Joine with a perfon that may be Chofen by Waltham to Settle & Determin the Affaire in Controverfie between Waltham and Watertown Relating to the Charge of Supporting the Wid^{w}- Maddox for the time Past and for the Future—And if S^{d}- Perfons Cant agree in Said Affair then for them to Choofe a third man to Determin the Mater—And for the Town to Choofe and Impower a Com^{tee}- to Act in behalf of the Town in Giving Bond to Abide by their award And in Laying the matter properly before them

Or for the Town to Come into any other method Or for the Town to pafs any Votes Relating to S^{d}. Affaire as the Town Shall See fitt (4) For the Town to Heare the Acc^{t}- of Edmund Fowle for Serving Conftable Warning Town Meetings And warning Perfons out of Town For the Town to Pafs upon them And make A Grant to Satisfye them As the Town Shall think propper—(5) For the Town to Hear the Acc^{ts}- of Capt. John Brown And others a Com^{tee}- Chofen by the Town to build the Meetinghoufe—And to Grant Money to Satisfye S^{d}. Acc^{ts}- As the Town Shall See fitt—(6) Whereas it is Apprehended that there are Mistakes (one or more) In A Late Town Treafurers Acc^{ts}- Therefore for the Town to Appoint A Perfon or Perfons to Examin into S^{d} Affair And to make Report to the Town at their next meeting—

Warrants were Issued out Accordingly P^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Fisk Town Clerk

[147] At A Genl: Town Meeting of The Frēhold^{rs}- And other Inhabitants of Watertown Qualifyed to vote in the Choice of A Reprefentative Regulerly Afsembled at the Publick meeting houfe in S^{d}. Town on Munday the Third Day of May A D—1756—At the Direction of the Selectmen the warrant was read And the Votes brought in, upon Sorting and Numbering of them it appeard that John Hunt Efq: was Chofen by a Major part of the votes—

At A Genl: Town Meeting of the Freehold^{rs}- And other Inhabitants of Watertown Qualifyed to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly afsembled at the Publick meeting Houfe in S^{d}. Town on Munday the Third Day of May AD—1756—

Voted And Chofe John Hunt Efq^{r}. Moderator for S^{d}. Meeting—

After Reading the List of Jurimen At their Defire the following Perfons were Dismist from Serving as Jurimen,—viz John Whitney Eben^{r}. Stone Jofeph Harrington Stephen Cook & Henry Spring—And Sixteen Perfons ware Aded to the List—the whole List now Containing (95) of which Number the Town Voted (24) to be in the Superior Box—upon which Ten were Aded to the List to be put into S^{d}. Box—viz—Jonas Coollidge Corne^{us}- Waldo Benj^{a}. Felton Jofeph Paterfon Simon Coollidge John Kem-

bal Junr- Nathaniel Stone Sam^{ll}. Cook Amos Bond and Nehemiah Mason—
On the Article Relating to the Wid^{w}- Maddocks the Town being informed that the Town of Waltham (or their Selectmen) Refuse to come into the Method of Leaving S^{d}. Affaire to Men, as Mentioned in the Article, Therefore—
The Vote was Put whether it be the Mind of the Town to Choofe a Committee to Make further Enquiry into S^{d}. Affair (And if they think proper) to profecute the Affair with Waltham in the Law—And the Vote Past in the Affirmative
Voted And Chofe Jonas Bond & John Hunt Efq^{rs}- And Enf^{n}- Jonathan Bemis for the Said Com^{tee}-
Then the (4)th Article was Read upon which Mr Edmund Fowle Exhibited an Acc^{t}. for Allowance—The Vote was Put whether it be the mind of the Town to Allow S^{d}. Acc^{t}. And Grant money to Satisfye it—And the Vote past in the Negative
The Vote was Put whether it be the mind of the Town to Grant Three Pounds to M^{r}. Fowle in full Discharge of his Acc^{ts}- And the Vote past in the Negative—
(5)th- Article Read upon which The Com^{tee}- for Building the meetinghoufe Exhibited An Acc^{t}:—And the Vote was Put whether it be the mind of the Town to Grant Money to Pay the Ballance Due to S^{d}. Com^{tee}- Agreable to their Acc^{t}. And the Vote Past in the Negative—
The Vote was Put whether it be the mind of the Town to Adjourn this meeting And the Remaining bufinefs of it to some Conveniant time—
And the Vote Past in the Negative—
(6)th- Article Read And the Vote was put whether it be the mind of the Town to Choofe A Committe to inquire into the Affair of the Late Town Treafurers (viz Dea^{n}- Mafons) Acc^{ts}- wherein there are Mistakes as it is Suppos'd—And the Vote Past in the Affirmative
Voted and Chofe John Hunt Efq^{r}- John Kemball Junr- & Sam^{ll} Fisk for the Com^{tee}- Afores^{d}-
The Town by a Vote manifefted that it was their minds that the former Survayers of Highways should have the Liberty of working out the Remainder of their Rates this prefent year—

[148] At A Meeting of the Selectmen on the 24th- of May A D. 1756—At the Houfe of the Wid^{w}- Mary Learned Inhold^{r}- Capt. Edward Harrington & Sam^{ll}. Fisk Reported that they Had Attended And performed the Service of Perambulating the Lines & Renewing the Bounds between Watertown And the Adjecent Towns with Such Perfons as were appointed for that purpofe—
At Said meeting the Selectmen Defired and Impower'd M^{r}. Eben^{r}: Stone to Enquire of and Agree with the Widd^{w}- Child or M^{r}. Uriah Clark or Some other Perfon for a Room for the

Wid^{w}- Maddocks or otherwiſe find out upon what terms She can be boarded—And make Report at the Next Meeting—

At S^{d}. Meeting the Selectmen Ordered the Town Treaſurer to pay the following Sums to the Perſons Afternamed viz £8—14—.2 To Capt Coollidge And £5—8—..—3— To Israel Meeds £ .. 5—..— To M^{r}. John Coollidge—And Alſo to Capt. Nathl: Coollidge £..—17—1—1 all to be Charged to M^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Coollidge—Order^{d}: alſo to Isaac Sanderſon £..—4—8

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of the Wid^{w}- Mary Learned Inhold^{r}- on the 4th- of June AD 1756—Agreed that Capt. Edward Harrington & Sam^{ll}- Fisk take Spedy Care to Repair the Pound—And to Se that the Stocks be put into Proper Ord^{r}- — At Said Meeting the Selectmen Drew up and Signed An Acc^{t}: of the Charge of Providing for the french Familie Sent into Town by ord^{r}. of Court— (viz) from Jan^{y}: 3^{d}: to June—1st- Amounting to £26 Thirteen Shillings & 2—pence—& Sent to the Secretary by Capt Harrington

At S^{d}: Meeting Ordered the Treaſurer to Pay £29—14—10 out of the Town Treaſurie (Lately Paid in by Waltham) to the Com^{tee}- Appointed by the Town to Purchaſe A Ministerial Place for which purpoſe S^{d}. money was Appropriated—And Alſo to Pay out the Remainder of the money Due from said Waltham to Watertown To s^{d}. Com^{tee}- (which was AppropriAted to S^{d}. purpoſe) whenever Said Money shall be paid into the Treaſurie—

At A Meeting of the Selectmen on the 15th- Day of June AD— 1756. At the Publick Meeting houſe in Watertown to View the Town stock of Amunition, the Selectmen with Col^{l}- Vaſsal View'd the same and Judg'd one Cask of the Powder to be Damifyed by Age—&c—thought it Proper to Diſpoſe of it & procure other Powder the Selectmen Deſired Col. Vaſal & Jonas Bond to Enquire of Gover^{r}: Phipps whether it may not be Chang'd at the Castle for Good Powder—&c It Appearing that the Quantity of Ball was not Enough to Anſwer the Law—But upon further Examination it appeared that the Ball was soficient

At S^{d}. Meeting the Selectmen Determined that the Indian Woman who was Ill at Samuel Fisks should be provided for at the Cost of the Town ever Since She came there And Alſo that D^{r}. Converſe be Deſired to Afford her Medicen's & Attendance as He shall think proper—At the Towns Cost—

Agreed Alſo at s^{d}. Meeting that Mary Hackelton who was Committed to the care of the Selectmen the 26th- of May Last Should be taken Care of at the Cost of the Town from the s^{d}. 26 of May— & at prefent —And that Jonas Bond Eſq^{r}. be Deſired to talk with Henry Coollidge to se if He with Some other of Her Relations would not take the Charge of s^{d}. Mary. the Select-

men Appointed to meet againe on Thirsday Next At the widw- Learned's—

[149] At A Meeting of the Selectmen on Tuesday the 15th- of June A D. 1756—
At the Publick meetinghouſe; they took a View of the Town Stock of Amuniſion Repoſited in sd. Meetinghouſe—And finding that the Oldist Barril of Powder was Something mated together And Damnefyed by Age &c—Agreed to Get sd. Barril of Powdr- Chang'd for New Powder & Deſired Col: Vaſsal who was Preſent & Jonas Bond Eſqr. one of the Selectmen to propoſe it to Govr. Phipps to have it Changed at the Castle—&c—

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At A Meeting of the Selectmen June 17—1756 at Mrs. Learneds Inholdr- They Bound out one of the French Boys to Capt. Nathl. Coollidge—At Sd- Meeting the Selectmen orderd: Something to be procured for Mr- Samll. Coollidge A Jacket & Briches—& Alſo Some Cloath for Several Caps—&c—They Deſired Mr. Jonas Coollidge to Get the sd. Cloths—

X 280.

To the Selectmen of Watertown——
Gentn.

We the Subscribers have Aſsest the Rateable Polls and Eſtates of Watertown in the Sum of Forty Pounds—Granted for mending Highways and have Committed Lists of Sd. Rate or Aſsesmt: to the Several Survayers of Highways who are alſo Collectors—viz to Amos Bond the Sum of Fifteen Pounds Thirteen Shillings And Eleven Pence—And to Samll- White the Sum of Twenty Four Pounds Six Shillings and Eleven Pence with Lawfull warrants to Collect the Same or to Se that it be work't out in Mending the Ways in Sd. Town So as to Make up with You at or before the Last Day of Novbr- Next

Aſsesſors Certifycate 1756

Samll. Fisk
Nathaniel Harrington
John Kemball Junr-
} Aſsesſors for Watertown

Watertown June 3d: 1756

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Samll. Fisk July 13. 1756—to Determin concerning the Funeral of the Indian Woman that hath for Some time been Sick and under their Care and is now Dead at Samll. Fisks, Agreed that the Linnin that the corps are Laid out in be Allow'd for—And that the two perſons that Laid out the Corps have Each of them A Pair, of Gloves

or the Value of them, for that Service—Alſo Agreed that Simon Hastings be Deſired to make a Coffin & Dig the Grave And that the Funeral be This Day towards Night—And y^{t}- A Chair be procured to Carry the Corpes upon, And that the Bell be Tol'd when the Corpes are Carrying to the Grave—Agreed that there be two Perſons Deſired to Aſsist in Carrying the Corpes to the Grave &c: And y^{t} they have one Shilling & Six pence Each for their trouble—Agreed that the Rev^{d}: M^{r}. Storer be Deſired to attend the Funeral and that He have A Pair of Gloves Given him—

[150] At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of M^{r}. Thos. Saltmarsh Sep^{br}- 6th- AD 1756. They Conſidered the List of Perſons Licenc't Last Year And Manifested their willingneſs that they should have their Licence Renewed this Year—
At S^{d}. Meeting the Selectmen Ordered the Treaſurer to Pay the Town Creditors the money Granted to them at the Annual Meeting in March Last At S^{d}. Meeting the Selectmen Order^{d}: the Clark to Issue out a Warrant to Warne One Sarah Cornish of Waltham who came into this Town, Sometime Last February (as the Selectmen are inform^{d}:) They Refuſing to Receive her as An Inhabitant—

At S^{d}: Meeting the Selectmen Order'd the Clark to Write (which he did accoringly) to the Selectmen of Weston & Waltham Deſireing them to meet the Selectmen of Watertown on Friday the Seventeenth of Septem^{r}: Courant at Two of the Clock Afternoon At Richard Cuttings of Waltham, Inhold^{r}- To Adjust the Charge of Repairing the Great Bridge in Watertown At Said Meeting the Selectmen Agreed With Capt. Nathl- Coollidge to take And keep Charles, the Third Boy of the French Familie in this Town for the Space of one Moneth for what he can Earn
At A Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham At M^{r}. Richard Cuttings in S^{d}. Waltham on Fryday the 17th- Day of Sep^{r}- AD 1756—To Adjust the Charge of Repairing y^{e}. Great Bridge in S^{d}. Watertown Since the Adjustm^{t}. on Sepr. 19—1755—The whole Chare was £19—5—8—2—of which—

Watertowns Proportion is	£7— 1—4—2	
Westons — — — — —	5—12—2—	
Walthams — — — — —	6—12—2—	Due to Watertown

Weston having over Paid £3—14—7—1— as by the Adjustm^{t}. in —1755— S^{d}. Sum being Subſtracted from their preſent proportion that it Stands thus

5—12—2
3—14—7—1

1—17—6—3 Due from Weston to Watertown—The Adjustm^{t}.

Signed by the Selectmen of the S^{d}. Towns—which is in full Recorded in Lib—2^{d}—Page—60—In the Treasurie—The Adjustm^{t}. on File—

[151] At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of M^{rs}. Mary Learned Inhold^{r}: on Fryday the 26th. of Novr. 1756. Ordered the Clerk to Issue out warrants Directed to the Several Constables for a Town Meeting to be on Munday the Sixth Day of December Next At two of the Clock afternoon for the Ends following (viz) (1) To Choose a Moderator for Said Meeting —(2) For the Town to Select out of a List of Persons to be Exhibit^{d}. by the Selectmen Such as The Town Shall Judge Suitable to Serve as Jurymen, agreable to A Late Law of the Province (3) To know the mind of the Town whether they will Impower their Com^{tee}- Chosen in the moneth of May Last to Enquire into the Affair of the wid^{w}. Maddocks's Maintenance &c—To Sue for the whole of the Ballance Due from Waltham to Watertown And to pass any Vote or Vote's on Said Affair as they Shall Judge Proper—Warrants were Issued out accordingly Pr Sam^{ll}. Fisk Town Clerk—

At Said Meeting the Selectmen Agreed to procure M^{rs}- Webb a Pair of Shoes & also A Gound—Appointed Capt Tainter to procure S^{d}. articles—

Agreed also that M^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Coollidge the present Schoolmaster Have two Cotten & Linnen Shirts procured for Him—And also a Small Skin for Repairing his Leather Britches—And also that the Clerk Procure a Box for the Names of Jurimen to be kept in—

At A Genl: Town Meeting of the Freehold^{rs}. and other Inhabit^{ts}- of Watertown Qualifyed to Vote in Town Affairs Regalerly Assembled at ye Publick Meetinghouse in Said Town on Munday the Sixth Day of Decemb^{r}- AD. 1756—

(1) Voted And Chose John Hunt Esqr: Moderator for Said Meeting—

(2) The Second Article Read—Then the List of Juriors which were taken by The Selectmen were Read to the Town—And the Vote was Put—whether it be the mind of the Town To Accept of S^{d}. List (Exclusive of M^{r}- Jonathan Brown and M^{r}. Sam^{ll}: Jenison who were Excused by the Town) And the Vote Past in the Affirmattive—

(3) The third Article Read—Then the Vote was Put whether it be the mind of the Town fully to Impowr their Com^{tee}- (viz) Jonas Bond & John Hunt Esq^{rs}- & Ensign Jonathan Bemis who were Chosen in the Moneth of May Last to Inquire into the Affair of the Wid^{w}- Maddocks's Maintenance &c To Sue for the whole of the Ballance Due from Waltham to Watertown And the Vote Past in the Affirmative

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of M^{rs}- Mary

Learned Inhold^{r} They Gave ord^{r}- to the Town Treafurer to Pay the Rev^{d}: M^{r}. Storer his Salary for the Year (1755)—An Twelve Shillings To Capt. Coollidge for His Brother Sam^{ll}- And alfo £1—4—.. To Capt. Tainter to Procure things for the W^{d}. Webb —And alfo to Procure a Large Bible for M^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Coollidge Prefent Schoolmaster—

[152] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of the Wid^{w}. Mary Learned Inhold^{r}: on Munday the 13th- of Decem^{r}: AD. 1756—Agreed that Jonas Bond Efq^{r}. & En^{n}: Eben^{r}: Stone two of the Selectmen Go and Discourfe with M^{r}. James Baily to know upon what tearm's He will Lett a Chamb^{r}- in Coll^{l}: Brindleys Houfe—for the Wid^{w}- Maddocks to Dwell in for the Space of one Year—And to Agree with Said Baily as Reafonably as they Can, and in the Name of the Selectmen to ingage the Rent in cafe Said Wid^{w}- fails of Paying the Same—
At Said Meeting Capt. Edwd: Harrington & Sam^{ll}. Fisk were Defired to take Some care to Provide Some better Shelter for the French Familie under the care of the Selectmen—At S^{d}. Meeting the Selectmen Bound out Charles—One of the French Familie AforeSaid to Capt. Coollidge in the Room of Peter. who Deferted—

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the houfe of the Wid^{w}. Mary Learned Inholder on Munday Feb: 21. 1757—Ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants to the Several Conftables to Warn A Town Meeting on Munday the Seventh Day of March Next at Nine of the Clock in the forenoon At the Publick Meetinghoufe for the Ends following (viz) (1) To Choofe A Moderator for S^{d}. Meeting (2) To Choofe Selectmen A Town Clerk Town Treafurer Conftables Afsefsors & All other Town officers Required by Law to be Chofen in the moneth of March Annualy (3) To Choofe A Saxton And Agree how he shall be paid for his Service (4) To Put in their Votes for A County Treafurer—(5) To know the mind of the Town whether Swine shall run at Large this year. (6) To Hear the Town Treafurers Acc^{ts}. And to pafs upon them (7) For the Town to Appropriate the Interest money Coming to the Town this year the Year beginning the Eleventh of Decemb^{r}- Last. (8) For the Town to Grant an honourable Salary for the Rev^{d}: M^{r}. Seth Storer the Infewing year the Year beginning the first of march Next (9) To Grant money for the Sopport of the School (10) To Grant money for the Support of the Poor—(11) To Hear the Acc^{ts}. of thofe perfons to whome the Town is indebted and to Grant money to Pay the Same—(12) To Grant Money for the Repairs of the Great Bridge in Watertown (13) To Grant money for the mending the High Ways And Town Ways the prefent year—And for the Town to

Choofe their Surveyers of Highways Collectors of the Highway Rate. And for the Town to pafs any Vote or Votes on S^{d}. Affair as they Shall Judge propper—And alfo for the Town to Give Liberty (if they See fit.) to Delinquent Surveyers to work out the Remainder of their Rates the Enfewing year—(14) To Hear the Pleas of Some Late Conftables for Abatement of Some perticuler perfons Rates in their Lists and for the Town to act their pleafure thereon—(15) To know the mind of the Town whether they will Abate the fall of money in the Execution that Lies against Henry Godding in favour of the Town—(16) For the Town to Hear the Petition of M^{r}. John Coollidge And Others Praying for Liberty to Hang Gates at Each End of the Town way that Leads by S^{d}. Coollidges Acrofs to M^{r}. William Goddings And for the Town to Act their pleafure thereon (17) To know the mind of the Town whether they will abate M^{r}. Jonathan Stone's Rates in Conftable Bonds Lists And M^{r}. David Bemis's Rates in Conftable Bemis's

Lists

[153] Lists. And Grant the Like Sums to make them Good (18) To Hear the Report of y^{e}. Com^{tee}. Appointed by the Town to Examin the Accts of Joseph Mafon Efq^{r}. Dece^{t}: Late Town Treafurer And for the Town to pafs any Vote or Votes on S^{d}. Affair As the Town Shall See fit. (19) For the Town to Dispofe of the Pew that was Lately Capt. Brown's as the Town Shall think propper (20) For the Town to Hear the Acc^{ts}- of Capt. John Brown & others A Com^{tee}- Chofen by the Town to Build the Meetinghoufe, And to Grant money to Satisfye the Same as the Town Shall See fit—And alfo to Notify such Perfons to whome the Town is indebted to bring in their Acct^{s}. to the Selectmen at the Houfe of M^{rs}- Mary Learned Inhold^{r}- on Fryday the Fourth day of March Next at three of the Clock in the Afternoon in Ord^{r}. to be Laid before the Town

Warrants Were Issued out Accordingly—Att^{t}. Sam^{ll}: Fisk Town Clerk——

Alfo order^{d}: the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant to warn one Margret Lawrance out of Town who Dwells at John Hunt Efq^{rs}- the Clerk Did it accordingly—The perfon was warned out and y^{e}. Caution entred at may Court. 1757

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of M^{rs}. Mary Learned Innhold^{r}- on Fryday the Fourth Day of March A D. 1757 In Ord^{r}. to Receive the Acc^{ts}. of those Perfons to whome the Town is indebted in order to Lay them before the Town S^{d}. Acc^{ts}- are as follow's—viz—

To Jonas Coollidge for. 700 of Plank at £7—Old. Ten p Hundred And for One Ton & Thirteen Feet of Timber at £8—0 Ten pr. Ton for the Great Bridge	59—12	Adjusted by the Several Towns Concernd. in Sepr. Last—
Lawfull Money	7—18—11	
To Capt. Harrington to Work Done at the Great Bridge	..—14—..	
To Thos. Learned for Labour And Meterials for the Great Bridge	.1—15—2	
		£10—.8—1
To Nathaniel Harrington for Serving as Aſseſsor for the Year 1756	£..—16—..	
And for taking the Genl: Invoice & Copies to Send to the Court	..—9—..	
		.1—.5—..
To John Kemball Junr- for Serving As Aſseſsor for the Year 1756		..—16—..
To Samll. Fisk for Serving As Treaſurer for the Year 1756	£2—13—4	
And for Serving as Aſseſsor for Sd. Year	..—16—..	
To taking Copies & preparing Lists for the Genl: Invoice &c	.—.4—6	
To two Large Stones for a whelm	..—.3—..	
And To Work & Meterials for mending the Pound	..—3—..	
		3—19—10
To Thos: Learned for work Done at the Great Bridge		..—..—.8
To Capt. Harrington for work Done in Mending the Pound		..—.1—.8
To Amos Bond for Stones for a Whelm		..—.6—..
To Thos: Saltmarsh for taking Copies to Send to ye. Court		..—.2—..
To Jonas Coollidge for 90 Feet of Plank		..—12—..
Aded At the Town Meeting—An Acct- of Mr. Cornelius Waldo's		
To Serving Conſtable for the year- 1755	£..—2—8	
For Warning Town Meetings	..—5—..	
To Carrying Two Perſons out of Town	..—8—..	
To Warning Hannah Gigger out of Town	..—1—..	
To Sundries Deliverd: to Mr. Sam. Coollidge at Sundry times	..—4—.8	.1—.1—4
		£18—12—.7

At S^{d}. Meeting the Selectmen Signed An Acc^{t}. to be Exhibit^{d}- to the Governour And Counſil of Charge Occationed by the Indian Woman that Sicken'd and Die'd in Town the year past of £.4—1—8—L M

[154] At A Genl: Town Meeting of The Freehold^{rs}- And other Inhabitants of Watertown Regulerly Aſsembled At the Publick Meetinghouſe in S^{d}. Town on Munday the Seventh Day of March AD. 1757—For the Choice of Town Officers &c
Voted And Chose Josiah Converſe Eſq^{r}. Moderator for S^{d}. Meeting

Voted And Chose for Selectmen { Joſiah Converſe Eſq^{r}- L^{t}. Daniel Whitney Sam^{ll}: Fisk- Enſ^{n}- Jonathan Bemis M^{r}. Sam^{ll}: Hager.

Voted And Choſe Sam^{ll}: Fisk Town Clerk
Voted And Choſe M^{r}. Nathaniel Harrington Town Treaſurer

Voted And Choſe for Conſtables { Beze^{l}. Learned, Isaac Sanderſon

Voted And Choſe for Aſseſsors { Thos: Saltmarsh, Sam^{ll}. Fisk, Nathl: Harrington

Voted And Choſe Isaac Sanderſon Sealer of Leather—

Voted And Choſe for Fence Viewers { Jonas Barnard, Josiah Bright

Voted And Choſe for Surveyers of Highways { John Cook
Town Ways & Collectors of ye highway Rate } Simon Whitney

Voted & Choſe for Tithingmen { Uriah Clark, Jedidiah Leathe

Voted And Choſe for Hogrieves { John Warrin, Stephen Harris

Voted And Choſen for Deerieves { Thos: Saltmarsh, James Dix—

Voted And Choſen for Surveyers & { Jonas Coollidge
Meaſurers of Timber Plank Bord &c } Robert Learned

Voted And Choſe for Field Drivers { James Dix, Jonas White.

Voted And Choſe Smith Prentice Gauger of Casks

Voted And Choſe Culler of Hoops and staves { Sam^{ll}. Cook, Smith Prentice

Voted And Choſe Simon Hastings Saxton—To be paid by two Contrabutions As uſual—

[155] The Vote was Put Whether it be the mind of the Town that Swine Should Run at Large this Year under the Regulations of y^{e}. Law. And ye Vote past in the Negative on A Motion Made And Seconded the (15) Article was Read

—And the Vote Was Put Whether it be the mind of the Town to Sink the fall of Money in the Execution that Lies Against Henry Godding in favour of ye Town And the Vote Past in the Affirmative—

Then the Meeting was Adjourned to Munday Next at Twelve of the Clock

At A Genl: Town Meeting of the Frehold^rs^- & other Inhabitants of Watertown At the Publick Meeting houſe in Said Town On Munday the 14 Day of March AD. 1757—By Adjournm^t^.—The Meeting being opened the Town proceeded—After Reading the Town Treaſurers Acc^ts^- Relating to the Interest Money the Vote was put. Whether it be the mind of the Town to Accept The Same And the Vote Past in the Affirmative—

Then the Town Treaſurers Genl: Acc^t^: was Read And the Vote was put whether it be the mind of the Town to Accept the Treaſurers Genl: Acc^t^. And ye vote past in the Affirmative

Voted And Appropriated the Interest Money Coming to the Town the preſent year the Year beginning the Eleventh of Dec^r^: Last as followeth—(viz) Five shillings and Eight pence to the School And the Remaind^r^. to the ministry—

Voted And Granted £66—13—4— For A Salary for the Rev^d^: M^r^. Seth Storer the Enſewing Year the year beginning the First of March Current—

the Interest money Appropriated for that Uſe to be part of s^d^. Sum—

Several Votes were put with Different Sums of money for the Support of the School the Enſewing Year—And all past in the Negative—

Voted And Granted the Sum of £13—6—8— for the Support of the Poor the Enſewing Year—Then the Acc^ts^. of thoſe perſons to whome the Town is indebted was Read Amounting to the Sum of Eighteen Pounds Twelve shill. & Seven pence as in Page (153) The Vote was put whether it be the mind of the Town to Allow S^d^. Acc^ts^- And Grant y^e^. Sum of Twelve Pounds Twelve shillings and Seven pence to pay it which with the six pounds Granted Last march Meeting For the Repairs of the Great Bridge makes S^d^- Sum & the Vote Past in the Affirmative—M^r^. James Dix's Acc^t^. was Read Amounting to the Sum of Ten Pounds for serving Conſtable in the year 1754—&c—And the Vote was put Whether it be the mind of the Town to Allow S^d^. Acc^t^. and the Vote past in ye Negative—

Voted And Granted the Sum of Six pounds for the Repairs of y^e^. Great Bridge

Voted And Granted the Sum of Twenty Six pounds 13/4— for mending the Highways and Town ways the preſent year—

Voted And Choſen John Cook & Simon Whitney to be Collectors of the Highway Rate—Voted that the Price of Labour in working

out the Highway Rate be the Same it was Last year—
Put to Vote whether it be the mind of the Town that Delinquent Survayers have y^e- Liberty of working out the Remainder of their Rates the Enſewing Year. And the Vote Past in the Affermative—
Voted And Abated Henry Spring Jun^rs- Deceas^t- Rate in Conſtable Clarks List Amounting to the Sum of Sixteen Shillings & 7 pence £..—16—7—
And One Smiths Rate in Conſtable Kimballs Lists of ..— 4—5
And the Like Sums Granted to make them Good—
Then the Petition of Sundry perſons was Read Relating to Hanging Gates At Each End of y^e. Town way Leading in by M^r. John Coollidges and so out by W^m- Goddings—And the Vote was put whether it be the mind of the Town to Grant y^e- Prayer of the Petition & the Vote past in the Negative—

[156] Put to Vote whether it be the mind of the Town to Abate M^r. Jonathan Stones And M^r. David Bemis's Rates (on Acc^t. of their Late misfortune by Fire) And the Vote past in the Negative
(18) Article Read—Upon which the Com^tee- Appointed to Examin Treaſurer Maſons Acc^ts- Made Report—That they found Mistakes in S^d. Acc^ts- to the Amount of Seven pounds Eleven shillings And Three pence Due to the Town—And after Some Debate the Vote was Put, Whether it be the mind of the Town that the Town Treaſurer Make A Demand of Said Seven pounds. Eleven shillings and 3 pence of the Execu^r- of the Last will And Testament of Joseph Maſon Eſq^r. Dec^t: S^d. Treaſurer And upon the s^d. Executors Refuſing to Pay the Same to perſue the Affair in the Law.— And the Vote past in the Affirmative
Voted that The Town Treaſurer be Directed forthwith to Pay Capt. John Brown the Prime Cost of his Pew in the Meetinghoſe—
Voted that the Diſpoſition of S^d. Pew—And Alſo the Last Article in the Warning be put off till the May Meeting—
March 14—A. D. 1757. The following perſons took the Oath Relating to other Goverments Money before John Hunt. Eſq^r—Viz)

Josiah Converſe Eſq^r.
L^t. Daniel Whitney
Sam^ll. Fisk-
En: Jonathan Bemis
M^r. Sam^ll: Hager-
} Selectmen

Nathaniel Harrington took the Oath of Treaſurer & Aſseſsor
Sam^ll. Fisk the Oath of Clerk & Aſſeſsor—
Beze^l: Learned the oath of Conſtable & alſo
} Before John Hunt Eſq^r.

Isaac Sanderſon S^{d}. Oath
Thos: Saltmarsh the Oath of Aſseſsor & Deerieve—
Isaac Sanderſon the Oath of Sealer of Leather—
Jonas Barnard And Joſiah Bright the oath of Fence Viewers
John Cook & Simon Whitney the oath of Collectors and Surveyers of highways—
Stephen Harris the Oath of Hogrieve—
James Dix the Oath of Deerieve & Field Driver—
Jonas Coollidge and Robert Learned the oath of Surveyers & Meaſurers of Timber Plank bord Slitwork &c
Smith Prentice the oath of Culler of Hoops & Staves
Sam^{ll}. Cook the Oath of Culler of hoops & Staves

} Before John Hunt Eſq^{r}.

[157] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of M^{rs}- Mary Learned Inhold^{r} on Munday Ap^{l}: the 4th- AD. 1757— The Selectmen Gave ord^{r}. to Sam^{ll}: Fisk to Deliver the Books, Bonds & other Articles belonging to the Town that are und^{r}. His care as Town Treaſurer to M^{r}. Nathaniel Harrington preſent Town Treaſurer— At S^{d}. Meeting Agreed with Capt. John Tainter to keep the wid^{o}- Webb from the second of April Inſtant to y^{e}. Second of April AD. 1758—At Three Shillings and Seven pence ¼ P^{r}. Week and to be Allowed for Extraordinaries—At Said Meeting the Selectmen Appointed the Surveyers their Districts as followeth (viz) M^{r}. John Cook to have the East part which is to include the Inhabitants South of the River and to mend the Roads South of the River and alſo including the Inhabitants East of the Country Road from the Great Bridge to the Meeting houſe & to mend that part of the Country Road And all the other Roads Contained in the East District— M^{r}. Simon Whitney to have the West District And to mend the Road that Divides the Districts from the meetinghouſe To Thos: Wellingtons And all the Roads Contained in the west District—
At Said meeting the Selectmen Determin'd that the School Should Ceaſe till Further Ord^{r}- And that M^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Coollidge preſent Schoolmaster be informed that the Selectmen have nothing further for him to Do as Schoolmaster at preſent; Agreed that Sam^{ll}. Fisk give Notice thereof to M^{r}- Coollidge—Who notifyed him thereof the Day following; S Fisk
Appointed to Meet againe on Munday the Eighteenth Day of this moneth (at the Publick Meetinghouſe) at one of y^{e}. Clock afternoon to Examin the Towns Stock of Ammunition

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Publick meeting houſe on Munday Ap^{l}: 18—1757 Upon Examining the Towns Stock of Powd^{r}. find one Barril thereof in Good Ord^{r}- the Other Barril

Something Damnifyed by Age—&c—Determined to Dispofe of the Barril Last mentioned and procure another As soon as may be—Agreed that Sam^{ll}. Fisk Show Some of S^{d} powd^{r}. to M^{r}. Remington & M^{r}. Waldo to know what they would Give for it &c—At S^{d}. meeting Agreed that the Deck of y^{e}. Meeting houfe steple be mended it being Very Leaky—And y^{t}. the stocks be fited up—Defired L^{t}. Whitney to Ask Simon Hastings to Do Said Repairs—Agreed alfo that the Pound be fited up by having new Ground sills and New Cap pieces And what Elfe is found Necefsary upon Examination,—At Said Meeting Agreed that M^{r}. John Cook be Defired to take care of the Great Bridge the Enfewing year—

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of M^{rs}- Mary Learned Inhold^{r}. on The Third Day of May—AD—1757—They having Rec^{d}: a precept from the High Sherriff of the County Requiring a Town Meeting for the Choice of A Reprefentative Agreed upon A Town Meeting for that Purpose to be on Munday the Ninth Day of May inftant at one of the Clock afternoon And alfo A Town Meeting to be at two of the Clock the Same Afternoon for the Ends following (viz) (1) To Choofe a Moderator—(2) For the Town to Grant Money for the Support of y^{e}. School the prefent Year—(3) To Hear the Acc^{t}: of Capt. Brown And others a Com^{tee}- Chofen by the Town to Build the meetinghoufe & to Grant money to pay y^{e}. Same Or otherwife Provide for the Payment thereof as the Town Shall See Fit—(4) For the Town to Dispofe of the Pew in the Meetinghoufe that was Lately Capt. Browns as the Town shall think propper (5) For the Town to Grant money to Renew their Stock of Powder
Warrants were Issued out P^{r}- Sam^{ll}. Fisk Town Clerk—at s^{d}. meeting the Selectmen Gave ord^{r}. to the Treafurer to Pay £66—13—4— to y^{e}. Rev: m^{r} Storer for his Salary for —1756 And Alfo £15—12—7—. To Capt. Coollidge —&— £..—17—7—1—To Seth Hastings—

[158] At A Genl: Town Meeting of the Freehold^{rs}- and other Inhabi^{ts}- of Watertown Qalifyed to Vote in the Choice of A Reprefentative At the Publick meeting houfe in Said Town on Munday the Ninth Day of May A D. 1757—To Elect & Depute a Perfon to Reprefent them at the Great & Genl: Court—&c—The Major Part of the Selectmen being Prefent—Directed the Clerk to Read the Warrant for the Meeting—After which the Inhabitants were Defired to bring in their Votes, which was Done Accordingly; being Sortired and Numbered it appeared that John Hunt Efq^{r}. Was Chofen by the Major part of the Votes—Who took the oath Relating to other Goverments money—
At A Genl: Town Meeting of the Freehold^{rs}- and other In-

habitants of Watertown—Qualifyed to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Aſsembled at the Publick meeting houſe in S^{d}. Town on Munday the 9th- Day of May A D. 1757—

Voted And Choſe John Hunt Eſq^{r}, Moderator for S^{d}. Meeting—

Voted And Granted Thirty Pounds for the Support of the School the Preſent year—

The third article Read Relateing to the Acc^{t}. of the Com^{tee}- that Built the Meeting houſe then s^{d}. Com^{tee}. Exhibited an acc^{t}: of time & Expense Relateing to s^{d}. Houſe Amounting to the Sum of Eight Pounds Eighteen Shillings & Eight pence Lawfull money—And the Vote was Put whether it be the mind of the Town to Allow & Except S^{d}. Acc^{t}. And Make a Grant of £8—18—6 to Pay the same & the Vote past in the Negative

Fourth Article Read and the Vote was put whether It be the mind of the Town to Diſpoſe of the Pew in the meetinghouſe that Was Lately Capt. Browns and the Vote past in the Negative—

Voted and Granted Eight pounds to Renew the Towns Stock of powder—

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of M^{rs}. Mary Learned Inh^{r}. on the Thirteenth Day of May AD. 1757—Upon the Affair of the School they Determined to Look out for Some Suitable Perſon for A Schoolmaster. & Appointed D^{r}. Converſe— M^{r}. Bemis & Sam^{ll}. Fisk to go and talk with M^{r}- Swan at Little Cambridge (So Call'd) to See upon what terms He will keep the School the Remainder of the Year. & to Agree with him as to time & Terms At S^{d}. Meeting the Selectmen Determined to Enquire upon what terms they Can Obtaine a G. of Powder as to Price & Day for Paym^{t}.—

On Munday the Sixteenth Day of May 1757—The Selectmen who were Appointed to treet with M^{r}. Swan went to Him, And Agreed with him to keep the School in Watertown Three Quarters of a Year for Thirty Pounds Lawful Money to begin the School the Same week—

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of M^{rs}. Mary Learned Inhold^{r}- on Munday the sixth of June AD. 1757—The Selectmen having Rec^{d}. A Precept from the Speaker of the Houſe of Repreſentatives Requiring A Town Meeting for the Choice of A Repreſentative (the Choice of John Hunt Eſq^{r} being Set Aſide) Agreed upon A meeting for that Purpose to be on munday the thirteenth of June Inſtant at One of the Clock Afternoon at the Publick meeting houſe in s^{d}. Town—And alſo a meeting to be at two o Clock the same afternoon for Disposing of y^{e}. pew y^{t}. was Capt- Browns—The Clerk Issued out warrants for S^{d}. meetings Accordingly—

[159] At A Meeting of the Freehold^{rs}- and other Inhabitants of Watertown Qualifyed to vote in the Choice of A Repreſentative at the Publick Meetinghouſe in S^{d}. Town on Munday the Thirteenth Day of June A D 1757—John Hunt Eſq^{r}. was Choſen To Repreſent the Town. by A Major part of the Legal voters preſent at S^{d}. Meeting (in the Opinion of the Selectmen)

At A Meeting of The Freehold^{rs}- And other Inhabitants of Watertown Qualifyed to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Aſsembled at the Publick meetinghouſe in Said Town on Munday the Thirteenth Day of June A D. 1757—
Voted And Choſe John Hunt Eſq^{r}- Moderator for Said Meeting—
Then the Article was Read Relating to the Pew in the Meeting houſe that was Capt. Browns And After Debate thereon the Vote was Put whether it be the Mind of the Town to Act on S^{d}. Article and the Vote Pas't in the Negative

To the Selectmen of Watertown——
Gen^{n}.

Aſsesſors Certificate

This may Certify that we the Subscribers have Aſses^{t}. the Polls and Rateable Eſtates of Said Town in the Sum of Twenty Six Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Four pence (Granted by The Town for mending the ways in Said Town) And have Commited Lists of S^{d}. Rate to the Several Collectors who are alſo Survayers of High Ways—Viz—To M^{r}. John Cook the Sum of Thirteen Pounds and Nine pence two Farthings & To M^{r}. Simon Whitney the Sum of Thirteen Pounds Twelve Shillings & Six pence two Farthings with Lawfull warrands to Collect the Same (or See that it be Faithfully work't out agreable to the vote of the Town) So as to Compleat and make up with your Selves on or before the last Day of Nov^{r}: next Ensewing—

Watertown 1757 } Thos. Saltmarsh, Sam^{ll}. Fisk, Nathaniel Harrington } Aſsesſor's of Watertown

[160] At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of M^{r}- David Coollidge Innhold^{r}- on the 24. Day of June A D. 1757—they Conſidered the List of Perſons Licenced Last year which are as Followeth—(viz) M^{r}. Thos. Saltmarsh M^{rs}- Mary Learned & M^{r}. David Coollidge Innhold^{rs}- —— And John Hunt Eſq^{r}. M^{r}. A Cornelius Waldo M^{r}. John Remington Cap. David Baldwin and M^{rs}- Hannah Livermore Retailer And Signifyed in their Return that they had nothing to Object to their Having their Licences Renewed the preſent year—They Alſo Approved of and Recom-

mended Mr. Smith Prentice as a Perſon of Sober Converſation Suitably quallifyed and Provided for keeping A Tavern in the Room of Mrs- Mary Learned—

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of the Wd: Mary Learned on Friday the 29 Day of July 1757—Ordered The Town Treaſurer to give out Aſignments to the Several Conſtables for the Payment of the Town Credditors the Several Somes Due to them from the Town—

At Sd. Meeting the Selectmen Directed the Clerk to Give the Town Treaſurer A List of the Perſons And an Acct: of the Charge of warning Perſons out of Town—At three Shillings Each—(viz) One Shilling to the Conſtable for doing the Service one Shilling to the Clerk of ye Court And one Shilling to the Town Clerk—That the perſons who took thoſe in who were warned out of Town May Pay the Same as the Law Directs.

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at Mr. Smith Prentices on Thursday Augt 11 1757—the Selectmen Signed the Return of the Precept to the Speaker of the Houſe of Repreſentatives—At Sd. meeting the Selectmen gave ordr. to the Town Treaſurer to Pay Eight Pounds to Jonathan Bemis and Samll. Hager To Buy A Barril of powder for the Towns Stock—

[161] At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Mr. Smith Prentice of sd. Town Innholdr- on the 31—Day of Octobr- 1757—

The Selectmen being inform'd that Mr. Samll. Coollidge Late Schoolmaster is in Want of Shirts and Briches—They Deſired his Brother Capt. Nathanael Coollidge to Procure a Pair of Leather Briches and Two Cotten and Linnen Shirts for Said Samll: Coollidge as Soon as he can Conveniently—

At Said Meeting the Selectmen Agreed to meet with the Selectmen of Weston and Waltham at Mr. Richard Cuttens of Sd. Waltham on Munday the Fourteenth Day of Novr. Next at one of the Clock afternoon to Adjust the Charge of Repairing the Great Bridge in Watertown which hath Ariſen Since the Last Adjustment—And alſo to adjust the Charge of the Poor with Waltham And Directed the Clerk to Notify Sd. Selectmen of Sd. Meeting; Who did it accordingly—

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston & Waltham at Mr. Richard Cuttings in Waltham on Munday Novr. 14—1757—The Charge of Repairing the Great Bridge in Watertown which hath Ariſen Since the Last Adjustment (which was Sepr. 17—1756—) Was Adjusted and proportioned between Sd. Towns—The Accts- And Adjustments are as follows

To John Cook for Work and Meterials for S^{d}. Bridge £5—1—10—3
To Thos: Learned ..—..—.8 —..
To Three Tons & Seven feet of Timber at .£1—1—4.
p^{r} Ton procured by Watertown for S^{d}. Bridge 3—7—9—..

Watertowns Charge £8—10—3—3

By Walthams Charge Omited in a former Adjustment —.—.2—.8—..

The Sum to be Adjusted—£8—12—11—3

Of which Sum Watertowns part is £3— 3— 3
Westons proportion is .2—10— 7—2
Walthams Ditto 2—19—.1—1
8—12—11—3

Which Adjustm^{t}. was Signed by the Selectmen of Each Town at the Meeting AboveS^{d}—

Elifha Jones, Abra^{m}. Bigelow, Samuel Seaverns — Selectmen of Weston

Daniel Whitney, Sam^{ll}. Fisk—, Jonathan Bemis, Samuel Hager — Selectmen of Watertown

Sam^{ll}. Livermore, Isaac Stearns, Daniel Child, Jacob Biglow — Selectmen of Waltham

At Said Meeting the Selectmen of Watertown and Waltham Appointed to meet on Friday y^{e}. 18th- of the same Moneth at M^{r}. Saltmarfhes in Watertown to Settle the Charge of y^{e}. poor Jointly supported p^{r} s^{d}. Towns.—

[162] At A Meeting of the Selectmen at M^{r}. Cuttings of Waltham on Munday the fourteenth Day of Nov^{r}- A D—1757—The Selectmen underftanding that there is One Catherine Hall of Boston come to Refide in Watertown at M^{rs}- Murches—They Ordered the Clark to Issue out a Warrant to warn her out of Town Directly—They Refufing to Admit her as an Inhabitant—She was Warned out Accordingly— the 18th- of the same Moneth —Att^{t}. Sam^{ll}: Fisk Clerk

At A Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown & Waltham at M^{r}. Thos: Saltmarfhes on Friday the 18th- of Novr. A D 1757—The Charge y^{t}. Watertown hath been at in keeping the Wid^{w}- Webb (Since the Same was Adjusted Ap^{l}: 1753—) Was Adjusted which is as followeth. (viz)

To Capt. Tainter for Boarding the Wid^{w}. Webb from the Second of April 1753—To the 12th- of Nov^{r}- 1757—

And for Sundries procured for Her within Said term £43—.2—2—2

At Said Meeting the Said Sum of Forty three Pounds two Shillings and two pence Two farthings Was Adjusted & proportioned as followeth—

Watertowns Proportion of S^{d}. Charge is	£22—.6—..—..
Walthams part Due to Watertown is—	20—16—2—2
Which was Signed Pr Said Selectmen	43—.2—.2—.2

Sam^{ll}: Fisk
Jonathan Bemis
Sam^{ll}: Hager
} Selectmen of Watertown

Sam^{ll} Livermore
Jonathan Sanderſon
Isaac Stearn's
Jacob Biglow
} Selectmen of Waltham

At the Meeting Afore Said the Selectmen of Watertown Gave ord^{r}- to The Town Treaſurer to Pay the Rev^{d}: M^{r}. Seth Storer his Salary for the Year—1756—They Alſo Directed the Town Clerk to Issue out Warrants for a Town Meeting to be on Munday the 28—of Novr. Currant—At one o Clock afternoon at the publick meetinghouſe in S^{d}. Town—for the ends following—(1) To Chooſe a Moderator—(2) For the Town to Grant A Sum of Money to pay the Acc^{t}. of the Com^{tee}- Choſen to build y^{e}- Meeting houſe (who have Sued the Town) Or Appropriate a Sum of money Due from Waltham (not appropriated) which may be Sufficient for that purpoſe—& paſs any Vote or Votes on S^{d}. Affair as the Town shall think proper (3) To know the mind of the Town whether they will Purcheſe the Land by the Meeting houſe (Call'd the two Acres) of M^{r}. Benj^{a} Harris And If the Town are Determined to Buy the Same then to Chooſe and Impower a Com^{tee}- for that purpose. And Determin in what Way they Will Pay for s^{d}. Land—Warrants were Issued out Accordingly.

Pr Sam^{ll}. Fisk Clerk

[163] At A Genl: Town Meeting of the Freehold^{rs}. And other Inhabitants of Watertown Qualifyed to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Warned And Aſsembled At the Publick Meetinghouſe in S^{d}. Town on Monday the 28th. of Novr. A D. 1757

Voted And Choſe M^{r}. Ebenezer Stone Moderator for Said Meeting—

The Second Article Read Relating to the Com^{tees}. Acc^{t}. who were Choſen to build the Meeting houſe And After Debate thereon the Vote was put whether it be the Mind of the Town to Grant A Sum of Money to pay S^{d}. Com^{tees}. Acc^{t}. And the Vote Past in the Negative

Put to Vote whether it be the mind of the Town to Chooſe a Com^{tee}. to Examin Said Com^{tees}. Acc^{t}. And Make report at the

Adjournment of this Meeting and the Vote Past in the Affirmative—
Voted And Chofe for Said Com^{tee}.. John Kemball Junr. Jonas Bond Junr. Nathl. Stone Jonathan Brown Junr. & Sam^{ll}. Fisk.
Voted And Adjourned this Meeting & the Remaining Bufinefs thereof to Monday Next 2 Clock afternoon to this place

At A Genl: Town Meeting on Monday the Fifth of Decr. A D. 1757—P Adjournm^{t} The Meeting being Opened the Com^{tee}- Chofen to Examin the Acc^{ts}. of the Com^{tee}. Chofen to build the Meetinghoufe Reported That they had not Compleated an Adjustm^{t}. of S^{d}. Acc^{ts}.—Therefore upon A motion Made & Seconded the Vote was put whether it be the mind of the Town that this Affair be put off to A further Adjournm^{t}. of this Meeting and in the mean time S^{d}. Com^{tee}- further Examin the Acc^{ts}- AforeSaid—& It past in y^{e}. Afirmative The third Article Read Relating to the purchasing the Two Acres by the Meetinghoufe. After Debate thereon the Vote was put whether it be the mind of the Town to Act on Said Article & y^{e}. Vote past in the Negative—
Voted And Adjourned this Meeting & the Remaining Bufinefs thereof to Friday Next at two o Clock afternoon to this place.

At A Genl: Town Meeting of the Freehold^{rs}.. and other Inhabitants of Watertown Regulerly Afsembled at the Publick Meetinghoufe in Said Town on Friday the Ninth Day of Decemb^{r}- A D. 1757 Pr Adjournm^{t}. After the Meeting was opened The Com^{tee}- Appointed to Settle Acc^{ts}. with the Com^{tee}. Chofen to Build the Meetinghoufe Reported That they found the Ballance Due to s^{d}. Com^{tee}- (including Six fhillings Omited in their Acc^{t}. together with the Charge of the Writ & Service which was Nine shillings & Ten pence) Amounts to the Sum of Nine Pounds Eleven Shillings & Two Pence Three Farthings After Debate thereon the Vote was put whether it be the Mind of the Town to Allow S^{d}. Account And Appropriate part of the Money Due from Waltham to Watertown for the Payment thereof.
And the Vote past in the Affirmative—
Put to Vote whether it be the Mind of the Town to Impower and Direct the Selectmen to Give said Com^{tee}- An Order upon Waltham for the Sum of Nine Pounds Eleven Shillings & Two pence three Farthings in full Discharge of their Acc^{ts}. for Building & Finnishing the Meetinghoufe & y^{e}. Vote past in the Affirmative At A Meeting of the Selectmen the Day AbovesSaid at Evening they Gave the Com^{tee}- An Order On Waltham Accordingly and took a Receipt of S^{d}. Com^{tee}- in full—

[164] At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of M^{r}. Smith Prentice Inhold^{r}- The 20th.. Day of January A D. 1758.

They being inform'd that the Wid^{w}- Maddocks is in Danger of Suffering for want of Wood and other Neceſsaries Agreed that M^{r}. Bemis procure a Bed Blankit or Coverlid for S^{d}. Wid^{w}- as Soon as he can with Conveniency alſo Deſired that M^{r}. Hager Send Her a Load of Wood—Alſo Deſired that Sam^{ll}. Fisk Send her Sum Proviſions if She Stands in Need of the Same

At Said Meeting the Selectmen Directed the Clerk to Sign an ord^{r}- in their Name for the Town Treaſurer to Pay Capt. Tainter His acc^{t}.. for Boarding the Wid^{w}.. Webb. from April the Second A D. 1756. To April the Second 1757 And for Extraordinaries procured for Her in Said Term Alſo an Ord^{r}. for the Treaſurer to Pay M^{r}. Joſiah Swan Schoolmaster Ten Pounds for his keeping the School the Second Quarter.

Which was done Accordingly.

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at M^{r}. Smith Prentices on Monday y^{e}. Twentieth Day of Feb: AD 1758. They Directed the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to the Several Conſtables of Watertown for A Town Meeting to be at the Publick meetinghouſe in said Town on Monday the Sixth Day of March Next at Nine of the Clock in the forenoon for the Ends following (viz) (1) To Chooſe a Moderator for said Meeting (2) To Chooſe Selectmen A Town Clerk and Treaſur^{r}. And all other Town officers Required by Law to be Choſen in the moneth of March Annually—(3) To Chooſe A Saxton and Agree how he shall be paid for his Service—(4) To Put in their votes for A County Treaſurer—(5) To know the mind of ye Town whether Swine Shall Run At Large the Enſewing Year—(6) To Hear the Town Treaſurers Accounts and Paſs upon them (7) For the Town to Appropriate the Interest Money coming to the Town the Preſent year the Year beginning the Eleventh of Decemb^{r} Last (8) To Grant A Salery for the Rev^{d}: M^{r}. Seth Storer for the Enſewing Year the year beginning the first Day of March Next. (9) To Grant money for the Support of ye School (10) To Grant money for the Support of the Poor the Enſewing Year—(11) To Grant Money for Repairing the Great Bridge—(12) To hear the Accounts of thoſe Perſons to whome the Town is indebted & To Grant money to Pay them (13) To Grant Money (if they see fit) to Mend their High Ways & Town Ways the Enſewing year, And alſo to Chooſe their Surveyers of Highways to be collectors of y^{e}. Highway Rate & to Determin the price of Labour in working out the same (14) For the Town to hear the pleas of the preſent or any late Conſtable's for Abatment of any perticuler perſons Rates in their Lists, And for the Town to Act their Pleaſure thereon (15) To know the mind of the Town whether they will Sell a peice of Land belonging to the Town between the Town way and the River. Norwesterly of and Next Adjoining to the piece of Land

Sold by the Town to Mr. David Sanger Late of Watertown Deceas't—And for the Town to paſs any vote or votes on said affair as the Town shall think propper—(16) To hear the petition of Samll. Warrin Junr- Praying for Liberty to Set a Small building on the Towns Land near Biscos Spring or any other piece of the Towns Land, with a few Rods of Ground for Improvement During the Towns pleaſure—(17) To know the mind of ye. Town whether they will Improve Mr. Samll. Coollidge this preſent year for their Schoolmaster Provided he is well and able to manage ye. School. (18) To hear the Report of ye Comtee. Choſen to Sell their Right in ye Farm Near Wachuſett hill—And that the Town Credrs- be notifyed to bring in yr. Accts. to ye Selectmen at mr. Smith prentices on Friday ye. 3d. of March Next at 3—o Clock afternoon—Warrants were Isſued out Accordingly

P. Samll. Fisk Town Clerk—

[165] At the Selectmens meeting on Feb. 20th- 1758 They Gave ordr. To the Town Treaſurer to pay £17—14—. To Capt. Nathl. Coollidge for Boarding And providing things for his Brother Mr. Samll. Coollidge and to be Chargd to said Samll. Coollidge—At the Same meeting the Selectmen Agreed that Mr. Samll. Coollidge should have after the Rate of Forty Pounds A Year for his Keeping School from Decr: 10—1755—to Apl: 4.th- 1757—

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Mr. Smith Prentice March. 3d. A D. 1758. to take in the Accounts of thoſe Perſons to whome the Town is indebted Which are as followeth. (viz)

To Nathl: Harrington for Serving the Town as Treaſurer ye Year Past	£2—13—4.
And for Serving As Aſseſsor for the Same year	..—16— ..
To Thos: Saltmarsh and Samll. Fisk for Serving Aſseſsors 16/ Each	.1—12— ..
To Bezal: Learned for 18 feet of Timber for a Small Bridge	..—.4 —10
To John Cook for Meterals for Mending Small Bridges in Town	..—15—.1
To Amos Bond for Stones for A Bridge Near Mr. Goddards	..—.8 — ..
To Simon Hastings for Mending the School Houſe	..—.4 — ..
And for work & meterals in Mending ye Deck of the Meeting houſe	.1—17—4
To Lt. Daniel Whitney for Cap pieces for the Pound	..—12— ..
And for Plank & Stones for Small Bridges	..—.6—..

To Simon Whitney for Stones & Plank for the Like uſe	..—.6—..
To Enſ^{n}. Jonathan Bemis for Two Sills for y^{e}. Pound 16/ & for Labour 3/2—1—	..—19—2—1
To Sam^{ll}. Hager for two Sills for the Pound 16/ —And for Labour 1/7	..—17—7 —.
To John Cook for work and Meterals for the Great Bridge the Year Past which was Adjusted P the Towns Concerned	5—1 —10—3
And for work & meterals for Said Bridge Since the Adjustment	..—7 —.9 —.
	£17—1 —..—..

At Said meeting the Selectmen Gave ord^{r}. to the Treaſurer to Pay as followeth (viz) To the Rev^{d}: M^{r}. Seth Storer £66—13—4— for his Salary for the year Past And Ten Pounds To M^{r}. Joſiah Swan for keeping the School the third Quarter—And to M^{r}. John Remington One Shilling and One penny for Sundries found M^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Coollidge And to be Charged to him y^{e}. Said Coollidge—And to Sam^{ll}. Fisk—Nine Pounds Seventeen Shillings and two pence for keeping Mary Hackelton (a poor Child) to this Day At Eighteen shillings (old Ten P—week—P ord^{r}. of the Selectmen—

[166] At A Genl: Town Meeting of the Freehold^{rs}. and other Inhab^{ts}: of Watertown Regulerly Aſsembled At the Publick Meeting houſe in S^{d}. Town March the 6th. A D. 1758

Voted And Chose Josiah Convers Eſq^{r}. Moderator for Said Meeting.

Voted and chose for Selectmen
- Joſiah Convers. Eſq^{r}.
- Sam^{ll}: Fisk.
- M^{r}. Amos Bond.
- En^{n}. Jonathan Bemis.
- Capt. Nathaniel Coollidge

Voted and Choſe Sam^{ll}. Fisk Town Clerk.
Voted and Chose M^{r}. Nathaniel Harrington Town Treaſurer.
Voted and Chose M^{r}. Jonathan Brown Junr. first Conſtable but was Excuſed by a Vote

Voted And Choſe for Conſtables
- Jonas White
- Moses Stone.

Voted and Choſe for the first Aſseſsor. Sam^{ll}. Fisk.
Voted And Adjourned the Meeting and the Remaining Buſineſs thereof to Monday Next at Nine o'Clock in the forenoon to this Place—

At A Genl: Town Meeting on Monday the thirteenth Day of March A D. 1758 P Adjournment.

Voted And Choſe two Aſſeſsors (viz) { Nathaniel Stone / Thos: Saltmarsh

Voted And Choſe John Coggin Sealer of Leather—

Voted And Choſe for Fenceviewers { Jonathn Learned / Jonathan Child.

Voted and Choſe for Surveyers of Highways { Robert Learned / Thos. Clark—

Voted and Choſe for Tythingmen { Simon Whitney / John Stearns.

Voted And Choſe for Hogrieves { Abijah Brown / Joseph Coollidge

Voted and Choſe for Deerieves { Thos: Saltmarsh / Smith Prentice

Voted and Choſe for Surveyer & meaſurer of Timber Board Plank Slitwork &c { Jonas Coollidge / Robert Learned

Voted & Choſe for Hawards or Field Drivers { Daniel Pierce / John Warrin

Voted And Choſe for Gager of Casks Smith Prentice

Voted and Choſe for Culler of Hoops and Staves { Samll. Cook / Smith Prentice.

Voted and Choſe Jedididiah Spring Saxton to be paid by two Contrabutions as uſual

[167] The Vote was put whether it be the mind of the Town that Swine Should Run at large the Enſewing Year and the Vote past in the Negative

Then the Town Treaſurers Accounts were Read and the Vote was put whether it be the mind of the Town to Accept the Sd. Accounts

And the Vote Past in the Affirmative

Voted & Appropriated the Interest money coming to the Town the preſent Year the year beginning the Eleventh of December Last. as followeth (viz) Five shillings and Eight pence to the School and the Remainder to ye. Miniſtry

Voted and Granted —£66—13—4— for A Salary for the Revd: Mr. Seth Storer for the Enſewing Year—the Interest money Appropriated for that uſe to Be part of Said Sum—

Voted And Granted £30—..—.. for the Suport of the School the Enſewing Year

Voted And Granted 15—..—.. for the Support of the Poor the Enſewing year.

Voted And Granted £6—..—.. for Repair's of the Great Bridge—

Then the Accounts of thoſe Perſon's to whome the Town is Indebted was Read to the Town Amounting to the Sum of £17—1—.. Voted Accepted & Allowed And Granted the Sum of £11—1—..— to pay sd. accounts—which with the Six pounds

Granted Last year for the Repairs of the Great Bridge make s^{d}. Sum
Voted And Granted £26—13—4—To mend the High ways and Town ways the Prefent Year—Voted & Chofe the Surveyers of Highways Collectors of the Highways Rat[e]
Voted that the Price of Labour be the Same it was the Last year in working out s^{d} rate
Then Several Late Conftable's pleaded Abatement of Some perfons rates in their Lists
The Town Voted and Abated Edwd: Edd's Rates in Conftable Learneds Lists of ..—10—10—
And Alfo Abated S^{d}. Edd's Rates in Conftable Bemis's Lists of ..—16—..—2
And Granted the like Sum to Supply the Same—
Voted And Abated Henry Spring Junr- Deceasts Rate in Conftable Bonds List of £..—5—6—3
Voted and Abated £..—15—4— In Simon Coollidges Rate in Conftable Sanderfons Lists And the Like Sums Granted to make them Good—

Then the Article $^{\text{was}}_{\text{A}}$ Read to the Town Relating to Samuel Warrin Jun^{rs}- Request to the Town for Liberty to Set a small Building on the Towns Land near to Bisco's Spring or other where, with a few Rods of Ground for Improvemen During the Towns pleafure—And after Debate thereon the Vote was put—whether it be the mind of the Town to Grant the Said warrin his Request And the Vote past in the Affirmative—
Voted to Choose A Com^{tee}- to Set out a piece of Land to M^{r}. Warrin for the Ends mentioned
Voted And Chofe Jonas Bond Efq^{r}. M^{r}. John Kemball and L^{t}. Daniel Whitney for s^{d}. Com^{tee}-
The Vote was put whether it be the mind of the Town to Improve M^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Coollidge as Schoolmaster the prefent year in cafe he be well and able to manage the School—the Vote past in the Affirmative—

Then the Com^{tee}- who were Chofen to Sell the farm near wachufet Hill Reported to the Town which is on File

[168] At A Meeting of the Selectmen at M^{r}. Smith Prentices on Monday March 13th- 1758. The Perfons under named took the Oath Refpecting other Governments Bills—The Oath was Administred P John Hunt Efq^{r}.

Josiah Convers Efq^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Fisk M^{r}. Amos Bond. En^{n}. Jonathan Bemis Capt. Nathl: Coollidge	Selectmen

The following Perfons after they had taken the Money Oath

Were Sworn to the Several offices to which they were Reſpectively Choſen—(viz)

Sam^{ll}. Fisk $^{took}_{\wedge}$ the Oath of Town Clerk & Aſseſsor.
Nathaniel Harrington the Oath of Town Treaſurer
Jonas White the oath of Conſtable
Moses Stone the Oath of Conſtable.
Thos: Saltmarsh the Oath of Aſseſsor & Deerieve
Nathaniel Stone the Oath of Aſseſsor—
John Coggin the Oath of Sealer of Leather
Jonathan Learned the Oath of Fenceviewer
Jonathan Child the Oath of Fenceviewer.
Robert Learned the Oath of Surveyer of Highways; Meaſurer of Timber. & Bord Plank &c—And Collector—
Thos: Clark $^{the\ Oath\ of}_{\wedge}$ Surveyer of Highways & Collector—
Simon Whitney the Oath of Tythingman
John Stearns the Oath of Tythingman
Abijah Brown the Oath of Hogrieve
Joseph Coollidge the Oath of Hogrieve
Jonas Coollidge the Oath of Surveyer & meaſurer of Timber &c
Smith Prentice the Oath of Gauger of Casks & Culler of Hoops & Staves And Deerieve—
Sam^{ll}. Cook Culler of Hoops & Staves.

} Sworn by John Hunt Eſq^{r}

[169] At the Meeting of the Selectmen on the 13th- of March Last mentioned They Ordered the Clark to Isue out a Warrant to Warn Daniel Parkhust. And Martha His wife & their four Children (viz) Martha, Ruth—Catherine & Daniel Immediatly to Depart out of Watertown they Refuſing to Receive them As Inhabitants,—S^{d}. Parkhust & Familie Reſide in Col^{l}: Brindleys Houſe—they came Last from Cambridge, About the 20th.- Of April Last as the Selectmen Are Inform'd—A Warwant was Issued out Accordingly—on the Next day And the Conſtable did the Service the Day following Att^{t}. S. Fisk Clerk—
At Said Meeting the Selectmen Ordered Sam^{ll}. Fisk to Get Some Clothing for Mary Hackelton who is at his Houſe, and charge it to the Town in caſe Her Relations Dont help her to some in a few Days—

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of M^{r}. Smith Prentice Inhold^{r}. on Monday the 3^{d}. of April AD. 1758. they Agreed with Capt. John Tainter to keep the Wid^{w}- Webb. for the Space of One Year (if She Survive) At three Shillings and Nine Pence P^{r}. Week And to be Allow'd. for Extraordinaries.—

At Said Meeting Agreed that M^{r}. John Cook be Defired to take care of the Great Bridge
At Said Meeting the Selectmen Appointed the Surveyers of the Highways their Districts As followeth (viz) M^{r}. Thomas Clark to have the East part of the Town And to mend the Roads therein And the Road under the Rocks to the Corner by M^{r}. Jofeph Harringtons And alfo the Road by M^{r}. Kemballs to M^{r}. Jonas Barnards Corner—M^{r}. Robert Learned to have the West part of the Town And to mend the Roads therein and the Road that Leads by the Meeting houfe over the Hill to Kemballs Corner.—Agreed that Jofeph Coollidge have Liberty to take up the young Apletrees in the Burying place, in cafe He take up alfo the Brierbufhes & keep up the Walls.
At Said Meeting the Selectmen Directed the Clerk to Sign Orders in their Name to the Town Treafurer to Pay (Or ord^{r}.) £9—12—4— To Capt. John Tainter for Boarding the Wid^{w}.. Webb. from April 2^{d}. 1757—to April—2^{d}. 1758—And for Extraordinaries Procured for Her—And Alfo to Give out Afsignm^{ts}. to the Conftables to Pay the Town Creditors their Acc^{ts}. Allowed & Granted at the Last Town Meeting.
The School being Vacant the Selectmen at the abovesS^{d}. meeting Determined to make Enquirie at the Colledge And Elsewhere for a Suitable perfon to keep the Grammer & English School in Town As Soon as may be
Agreed to meet againe on Monday Next at five oClock Afternoon at this place
At. A Meeting of the Selectmen at M^{r}. Prentices on Munday the 10th- Day of April A D—1758—They with the Afsent of John Hunt & Nathl: Harris Efq^{rs}- Bound out Mary Hackelton (who hath for some time been A Town Charge) To M^{r}. Eben^{r}. Stone Junr. till She Arive at the Age of Eighteen Years—S^{d}. Stone to have Two Pounds Thirteen Shillings & Four Pence with the Said Mary.—At S^{d}.

[170] At A Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown at M^{r}. Smith Prentices Iñhold^{r}. on Munday the Seventeenth Day of April. 1758—they Agreed with M^{r}. Thom^{s}: Phips to keep the Grammer & English School in Said Town for the Space of one Quarter of a Year for Ten pounds Lawfull money S^{d}. M^{r}. Phips to Board & Provide for himfelf—Agreed that the School Should begin on Monday the 24th.. Inftant
At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of Sam^{ll}: Fisk on the Eighth Day of May AD. 1758. They having Rec'd A Precept for the Choofing A Reprefentative they Agreed upon A Town Meeting for that Purpose to be on The Fifteenth Day of this Month of may at one o Clock afternoon at the Publick meeting houfe in Said Town.

And alſo Agreed upon another Town Meeting to be on the Same Day at Two of the Clock afternoon for the Ends following—(viz) (1) To Chooſe a Moderator for Said Meeting (2) For the Town to make Addition to the list of Jurors or take off from the Same As the Town Shall think proper—(3) To Hear the Report of the Com^tee^. Choſen to Sell Land Belonging to the Town—&c Directed the Clerk to Issue out warrants for the s^d^. meetings. who did it accordingly—Att^t^. Sam^ll^: Fisk Clerke—

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the Fifteenth Day of May A D. 1758. Three Perſons (viz) Henry Bond Thaddeus Bond & Ebenr Stedson, Refiding in Watertown having manifested their Deſires of the priveledge of Voteing in Elections in S^d^. Town the Selectmen Conſented to Admit them inhabitants of Said Watertown,

At A Genl: Town Meeting of the Freehold^rs^.. and other Inhab^ts^: of Watertown Qualifyed to vote in the Choice of A Repreſentative. Regulerly Aſsembled at the Publick Meetinghouſe in Said Town on Monday the Fifteenth Day of May A D. 1758. After the warrant was Read the Selectmen Directed the Inhabitants to bring in their Votes which being Done, the Selectmen Sorted an Counted the Votes and it apeared to them that there was no Perſon Choſen—Declaration was made—Accordingly—the Day being Spent, A motion was made and Seconded, whereupon the Vote was put—whether it be the mind of the Town that the meeting Should be Adjourned to A further time—Reſolved in the Negative.

—the Day being Spent Conſequently the Buſineſs of the Second meeting of the Said Day Drop't of Courſe

To the Selectmen of Watertown—

Gen^n^- This may Certify that we the Subscribers have Aſses't the Ratable Polls and Eſtates of Watertown in the Sum of £26—13—4—Granted to mend the Highway and have Committed Lists of said Rate or Aſseſsm^t^ to the Several Surveyers of Highways who are alſo Collectors (viz) To Robert Learned £14—1—5—3— And To Thomas Clark £12—11—10—2—with Lawfull Warrants to Collect the same or see that it be faithfully work't out in Mending the ways Agreable to y^e^. vote of the Town So as to Compleat the Same & make up with the Selectmen at or before y^e^. 30th. of Novr. 1758—

Aſsesſors Certificate to ye Selectmen

Sam^ll^. Fisk
Thos: Saltmarsh } Aſseſsors of Watertown
Nathan^l^: Stone

Watertown April 13. 1758.

[171] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Mr. Smith Prentice Innholdr- On Tuesday July 11—1758—Taking into Conſideration the Poor Circumſtances of the French Nutral Familie in this Town. Determined that they Should be Supplied with four Shillings worth of Proviſions every week till further order—And accordingly Deſired Mr. Smith Prentice to Deal it out to them as there shall be Occation.

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Mr. Amos Bond. on Friday the 28th. of July 1758. They Agreed with Mr. Thos: Phips preſent Schoolmaster to keep the School Another Quarter of a Year (to begin on the Monday following) for ten pounds Lawfull money.
At A Meeting of the Selectmen at Mr. Smith Prentices—Augt. 28. 1758 having Conſidered the List of Licenced Perſons in Watertown Conſented that they should have their Licences Renewed the Preſent Year—

At the Request of Mr. Edward Richardson they Approbated Him for A Tavernkeeper in the Houſe that was formerly Dr. Wellington's. and Recommended him Accordingly—
At Said Meeting Mr. Joseph Coollidge inform'd the Selectmen that the widw. Maddocks hath been with him for some time and Signifyed that he should Expect Three shillings and four pence Pr. week from ye Town for his providing for her— while She tarries with him to which the Selectmen Conſented.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Great Bridge in Watertown On Munday the 12th. Day of Sepr. 1758—Upon Viewing Sd. Bridge they found Some of the Timbers very Defective Perticulerly Several of the Butments that Support the String pieces in the middle Pier—

Agreed that Mr. John Cook who hath the care of the Bridge be Deſired to procure the Timbers and other meterials and Do the work—Deſired Mr. Bemis to Aſsist in the Affair. of Repairing Sd. Bridge—

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Mr. Jonathan Bemis On Thirsday the 26th- of Octobr.. 1758—They agreed to Hire Mr. Thos: Phips to keep the School another Quarter at the Price he hath kept hitherto. Deſired Samll: Fisk to give him Notice thereof, and alſo to Deſire him to notify the School Children to bring money for Buying of wood for the School—(viz) Five shillings old Tenr. Each—Alſo agreed that the Schoolhouſe Glaſs and Roof Should be Mended And the Irons of the Frame the Bell of the Meetinghouſe hang upon should be repaired—Deſired Samll: Fisk to get Said Repairs done—At Said Meeting the Selectmen Directed the Clark to give an ordr.. to the Treaſurer to Pay—Fifteen Shillings and ten pence one Farthing

to Nathan Coollidg for Sundries procured and Services done for his Uncle Sam^{ll}: Coollidge in the Years 1756—And—1757—to be Charged to Said Sam^{ll}: Coollidge—

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Capt^{t}. Nathl: Coollidge on the 7th- Day of Decem^{r}. 1758—They Gave Ord^{r}. to the Clerk to Issue out Warrants to Warn one George Trent—And Margret Gardner to Depart the Town—The Selectmen Refusing to Admit them as Inhabitants—the Said Margret. Came Last from Boston And the s^{d}. Trent is a roving Perſon they came into Town About the Moneth of June Last and Reſide in the Houſe of the Wid^{w}- Eliſebeth Prentice As the Selectmen are in form'd—

[172] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at M^{r}. Smith Prentices Inhold^{r}. on Thirsday the 21st.. of Decem^{r}- A D. 1758—They having Notice of the Death of the Wid^{w}. Deliverence Webb—who hath for some time been a Town Charge—They Determin'd that her Funeral Should be the Day following—And that M^{r}. David Bemis be Deſired to Make her Coffin—And that there be Six pair of Gloves Procured for the Bearers and one for the Minister- and that the two Women who laid out the Corpes should have a Reward Equal to a Pair of Gloves Each Agreed alſo that the Corpes be carryed to the Grave upon a Chair—Deſired M^{r}. Bemis one of the Selectmen to Procure a Horse and Chair for that Purpose—And that John Tainter Junr. be Deſired to Drive the Chair and Aſsist at the Funeral—And to be rewarded for his Trouble—
At Said Meeting the Selectmen Deſired M^{r}. John Cook who hath the Inſpection of the Great Bridge to Collect and Secure the Old Planks that belong to said Bridge—
At Said Meeting the Selectmen Deſired M^{r}. Smith Prentice to let the French Familie live in the best Room in His Houſe out of which M^{r}. W^{m}- Sanger lately Removed, the Selectmen Promising him Reaſonable Rent for it the time they should Dwell there, To which M^{r}. Prentice Conſented— They Alſo Deſired M^{r}. John Cook to Procure wood and other Neceſsaries to the Amount of Fifty shillings Old Ten^{r}. P^{r}. Week for s^{d}. French people till further Ord^{r}-
At Said Meeting the Selectmen having Rec^{d}: An Ord^{r}. from Daniel Parkhurst Dated Novr. 28. 1758—To Pay Or Ord^{r}- his Rates to be Cros't in Conſtable Sanderſons Lists amounting to the Sum of Twelve shillings and Three pence One Farthing And alſo to pay Two pounds Thirteen shillings and Four Pence to Sam^{ll}: Fisk of Watertown in full Discharge of his Acc^{t}- Relating to the Wid^{w}- Maddocks for Trouble Proviſion & Houſe Rent—Which Ord^{r}- the Selectmen Rec^{d}. And Accepted, And Accordingly Directed the Clark to sign an order in their Name to the

Town Treaſurer to Pay Twelve Shillings and Three pence one Farthing to M^{r}. Isaac Sanderſon upon his Croſsing the S^{d}. Parkhursts Rates in his Lists, And alſo to Pay Two Pounds Thirteen shillings and Four Pence to Sam^{ll}. Fisk in full Discharge of Said Parkhursts Acc^{t}-

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at M^{r}. Smith Prentices Innhold^{r}- on Friday the 16 of Febru^{y}. A D—1759. They Directed the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to the several Conſtables for A Genl. Town Meeting to be On Munday the Fifth Day of March Next at nine o Clock in the forenoon at the Publick Meetinghouſe in said Town for the Ends following viz (1) To Choose a Moderator of S^{d}. Meeting—(2) To Choose Town Officers (3) To Choose a Saxton and Agree how he shall be paid for his Service (4) To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer (5) To know the mind of the Town whether Swine shall run at Large the Enſewing Year (6) To Hear the Town Treaſurers Acc^{ts}- and paſs upon them (7) For the Town to Appropriate the Interest money Coming to the Town the preſent Year the Year beginning the Eleventh of Decem^{r}. Last (8) To Grant a Salary for the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Seth Storer the Enſewing Year, the year beginning the first of March Next (9) To Grant Money for the Support of the School (10) To Grant money for the support of the poor the Enſewing year—(11) To Grant money for. Repairing the Great Bridge the preſent year—(12) To Hear the Acct's of thoſe persons to whome the Town is indebted and Grant money to satisfye them (13) To Grant money (If they See fit) To mend their Highways and Town ways the Enſewing year & Choose their Surveyers of Highways to be Collectors of the Highway Rate And for the Town to Determin the price of Labour in working out the Same—(14) For the Town to hear the please of any Late Conſtable's for Abatement of Any Perticuler Perſons Rates in their Lists—And for the Town to Act their pleaſure thereon (15) For the Town to make Addition to the List of perſons they may Judge propper to Serve as Jurimen or take off from the S^{d}. List as they shall think propper—(16) To know the mind of the Town whether for the time to come they will have A moving School to be kept in two or more places in The Town and for the Town to act their pleaſure thereon (17) To Hear the Report of their Com^{tee}- Choſen to sell Land belonging to the Town and purchaſe a ministerial place—And alſo to Notify thoſe perſons to whome the Town is Indebted to bring their Acc^{ts}.. to the Selectmen at the Houſe of M^{r}. Smith prentice Innhold^{r}. On Friday the Second Day of March next in ord^{r}. to be Laid before the Town

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[173] Notify alſo the Survayers of Highway's who are Collectors that have not made up with the Selectmen To bring their

acc^{ts}. to make up with the Selectmen at S^{d}. Time & place—Warrants were Issued out Accordingly P^{r}. S. Fisk Town Cler—
At Said Meeting Agreed to meet with the Selectmen of Weston & Waltham At M^{r}. Richard Cuttings in Waltham on Thirsday the 22^{d}. of Feby. Inſtant at two o Clock afternoon in Ord^{r}. to Adjust the Charge of Repairing the Great Bridge in Watertown—Letters were Sent to the Selectmen of Weston & Waltham to notify them thereof Sign'd p^{r}. Ord^{r}. of the Selectmen—P^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Fisk Town Cler—

At A Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weston and Waltham At M^{r}. Richard Cuttings in Waltham on Thirsday the 22^{d}. of Feb^{y}: A D. 1759 in Ord^{r}. to Adjust and proportion the Charge of Repairing the Great Bridge in Watertown which hath Ariſen since the Adjustment Novr. 14—1757—which is as followeth—viz

To John Cook for Work and Meterials for S^{d}. Bridge	—£3—13—6 —
To Jonas Coollidge for Timber and Plank for Said Bridge	5—.4 —10—.
To Capt. Edwd. Harrington for Labour at S^{d}.. Bridge	..—6 —.8 —.
To Smith Prentice	..—3 —.7 —.
To Jedidiah Spring & Nathan^{l}. Sanger 6/. Each	..—12— .. —
To Jonathan Learned for Labour at Said Bridge	..—.8 — .. —.
To Enſ^{n}- Jonathan Bemis for work Done at Said Bridge	..—6 —8 —.
To Benj^{a}. Felton for Labour at S^{d}. Bridge	..—5 —4 —
To James Stimson for Timber and Plank for S^{d}. Bridge	8—3 —9 —
The Sum to be Adjusted is	—£19—4 —4—

Of which Charge Watertowns Part is	£7—1 —8	
Weston's part is	5—12—6	
Walthams Ditto	6—10—2	
		19—4—4—

Which Adjustment was Signed by the Selectmen of said Towns at the Meeting Aforesaid as followeth—

Sam^{ll}. Fisk.
Jonathan Bemis
Amos Bond— } Selectmen of Watertown

Sam^{ll}. Livermore
John Dix—
Isaac Stearns
Jacob Biglow. } Selectmen of Waltham

Abraham Bigelow—
Braddyll Smith
Henry Spring—
W^{m}- Whitney—
John Warrin— } Selectmen of Weston.

At S^{d}. Meeting the Selectmen of Watertown gave M^{r}. James Stimson an Ord^{r}. for Six pounds Thirteen shillings and Four pence one Farthing—on the Town Treasurer of Weston which is the whole Sum that Weston ows to Watertown on the Affair of the Bridge—of which S^{d}. Stimson gave a Receipt—

At Said Meeting the Selectmen of Watertown and Waltham agreed to meet at M^{r}. Saltmarshes at Watertown on Tuesday the 27th.. Instant in ord^{r}- to Adjust the Charge of supporting the wid^{w}- Webb—now Dec^{t}—Appointed Jonathan Bemis and Sam^{ll}. Fisk of Watertown And M^{r}. John Dix & Dea. Stearns of Waltham to go to Capt. Tainters and take an Inventory of the things Left by s^{d}. wid^{w}- Webb—And Dispose of them.

[174] At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown and Waltham at M^{r}. Thos: Saltmarshes in Watertown Feb—27—1759—They Adjusted and proportioned the Charge of Supporting the Wid^{w}- Webb—which hath Arisen Since the Last Adjustment thereof which was Nov^{r}- 18—1757—And also the Charge of her Funeral—The Charge to be Adjusted is as followeth (viz)

To Capt. Tainter for Boarding the wid^{w}- Webb from the 12—of Novr. 1757—to the Second of April—1758 Twenty Weeks at 3/7—¼—P^{r} week £3—12—& for Extraordnaries	£3—14
To the Said Capt. Tainter for Boarding the Said Wid^{w}- Webb from the 2^{d}- of Ap^{l}. 1758. to the 20th- of Decem^{r}- following at which time She Deceast	
Thirty Seven weeks and three Days at 3/9—p week	£7—15—5
And for Extraordinaries and the trouble of her Funeral	..—15—..
To M^{r}. David Bemis for her Coffin 8/ And to the Saxton 3/4	..—11—4
To the Other Charges of her Funeral	..—17—4
	£13—13—1
To be Reducted £1—13—1— for Sundries Left by Said Wid^{w}- ————	.1—13—1
Remains to be Adjusted between S^{d}. Towns——	£12—..—.

Watertowns Province Tax—	300—..—9.	
Walthams Ditto—	280—2—6—	
Watertowns part of S^{d}. Charge is		£6—4 —1
Walthams Ditto Due to Watertown		5—15—11
		12— .. — ..

Watertown Feb. 27—1759. The foregoing Charge Adjusted And Sign'd P. us—

Isaac Stearns. Jacob Biglow. John Dix.	Selectmen of Waltham	Sam^{ll}: Fisk. Jonathan Bemis Amos Bond.	Selectmen of Watertown

[175] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of M^{r}. Smith Prentice on Friday the 2^{d}. Day of March A D. 1759. to Receive the Acc^{ts}.. of thofe Perfons to whome the Town is indebted in ord^{r}. to their being Laid before the Town At their Next Meeting—The Acc^{ts}. are as followeth (viz)

To Nathaniel Harrington for Serving Treafurer y^{e}. Year Past £2—13—4
To Thos. Saltmarsh for Serving Afsefsor for the Year Past ..—16—..
To Nathanael Stone for Serving Afsefsor the Year Past ..—16—..
To Sam^{ll}. Fisk for serving Afsefsor for y^{e}. Year past £..—16—..
And for Returning & Entring Seven Cautions 2/. each ..—14—.. £1—10— .. —.
To Edwd. Harrington for Stones for a Small Bridge ..—.7 —4.
To Jonathan Bemis for Work done at y^{e}- Pound ..—8 —5 —2
To Amos Bond for Stones for a Small Bridge ..—2 — .. —..
To Jonathan Learned Junr for work Done at the Schoolhouse & pound ..—17—4 —
To Jedidiah Leathe for Iron Dogs for the Pound ..—3 —10—3
To Daniel Whitney for Stones for a Small Bridge ..—6 — .. —.
To Simon Whitney for Stones for a Small Bridge ..—2 —8 —.
To Alpheus Spring for a Rope for the Meetinghoufe Bell ..—2 — .. —
To W^{m}- Saltmarsh for mending the Beir ..—2 —8.

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To John Cook for work done & Meterials for the Great Bridge £3—5 —9 —..
To Jonas Coolidge for Timber and Plank for the Great Bridge 5—4 —10—1
To Edwd. Harrington for work done at Said Bridge ..—6 —8 —
To Smith Prentice for Drink for thofe y^{e}. mended s^{d}. Bridge ..—3 —7 —
Jedidiah Spring—& Nathl: Sanger for Service done at S^{d}. Bridge 6/ Each ..—12— .. —..
To Jonathan Learned for work done at Said Bridge ..—.8 — .. —.
To Jonathan Bemis for work done at Said Bridge ..—.6 —8 —..
To Benj^{a}- Felton for work done at S^{d}. Bridge ..—.5 —4 —..

To James Stimpson for Timber for y^e^. Great Bridge £.1—10—4 —3

20—10—11—..

To Abijah Brown for Stones for a Small Bridge added ..—.5 —.4 —..

£20—16—3 —..

At the Meeting afores^d^. the Selectmen gave ord^r^. to the Town Treafurer to pay out of the Town Treafurie as followeth—(viz) to the Rev^d^. M^r^. Seth Storer £66—13—4—for his Salary for y^e^. year past And to M^r^. Thos. Phips Schoolmaster £30. for keeping the School Three Quarters of a Year—And to Capt. Nathl. Coollidge £15—12—.. for bording his Brother Sam^ll^. Coollidge from the 7th. of March 1758—to the 7th. of March—1759—at 6/ Pr Week—And to Eben^r^. Stone Junr- £2—13—4— On Acc^t^. of his taking of Mary hackelton to bring up—as P^r^. Agreement with the Selectmen—Ap^l^. 10—1758—And to Capt. John Tainter the Sum of £7—7—8—3—for boarding the W^d^. Web—&c—And to Saml. Fisk the Sum of £16—5—2— for keeping Mary Hackelton from the third of March 1758 to the 10th- of April following—at—2/4—3—P^r^. week and for a pair of Shoes for Her—And alfo Six fhillings and ten pence ½ for four pair of Gloves procured by him for the W^d^- Webbs Funeral—And to David Bemis Eigh shillings for a Coffen for the wid^w^- Webb—And to Jedidiah Spring—Three shillings & four pence for Diging the Grave for the Wid^w^- Webb—

[176] At A Genl Town Meeting of the Freehold^rs^- and other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Afsembled at the Publick Meeting houfe in S^d^. Town on Monday the fifth Day of March A D—1759. for the Choice of town Officers &c—

Voted And Chose Josiah Convers Efq^r^. Moderator of Said Meeting

Voted and Adjourned the Meeting And the Remaining Bufinefs thereof to Monday the 12 of March Inftant at Nine o Clock in the forenoon at this Place—

At A Genl: Town Meeting at the Publick Meetinghoufe in Water Town March 12 A D—1759—P Adjournment—On A Motion Made and Seconded The Question was put Whether it be the mind of the Town that this Meeting & the Remaining bufinefs thereof should be Adjourned to Monday the Nineteenth Inftant at Nine of the Clock in the Morning at this place

And the Vote Past in the Affirmative

It may be Noted that there was Some uneafinefs upon the minds of some of the Inhabitants relating to the Choice of the

Moderator on the fifth of March 1759 Accordingly Application was Made to the Genl: Court that the proceedings at the S^{d}. Meeting Might be Set aSide And A Moderator Appointed by the Court—

—Accordingly (All Parties Conſenting to it) The Genl: Court Set Aſide the proceedings At S^{d}. Meeting. And the Adjournments thereof. And Directed A meeting to be held on Tuesday the 27th. of March Inſtant at Eleven O.'Clock beforenoon at the uſual place of Meeting—for the Choice of Town Officers &c— And Appointed and Impowered—The Hon^{l}: Benj^{a}- Lincoln Eſq^{r}- To be Moderator of S^{d}. Meeting—As by a Copy of the Courts Ord^{r}- on file will more fully Appear—In Observence thereof the Selectmen at A Meeting at M^{r}. Smith Prentices on the 21st- of March 1759 Issued out Warrants Directed to the Several Conſtables (Containing the Same Articles to be Acted upon that Ware Contained in the Warrants for the Last Meeting As Entred Page (171)—Excluſive of that for Choosing a Moderator.) for a Town Meeting to be held at the time and place the Court Directed to—

At A Genl: Town Meeting of the Freehold^{rs}- and other. Inhabitants of Watertown Quallifyed to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting houſe in S^{d}. Town on Tuesday the 27th- Day of March A D 1759—for the Choice of Town Officers &c

The Hon^{l}: Benjamin Lincoln Eſq^{r}- being Moderator.

Voted and Chose for Selectmen
- Jonas Bond Eſq^{r}.
- Capt^{t}. Nathl. Coollidge.
- M^{r}. Amos Bond.
- M^{r}. Jonathan Child.
- L^{t}. Daniel Whitney.

Upon a Motion Made and Seconded the Question was put—whether it be the Mind of the Town that this Meeting and the Remaining Buſineſs should be Adjourned till tomorrow Nine o Clock in the morning to the same place, It past in the Affirmative—

Upon which the Moderator Declared the meeting to be Adjourned.

[177] At A Genl: Town Meeting of the Freehold^{rs} And other Inhabitants of Watertown Qualified to Vote in Town Affairs Aſsembled at the Publick Meetinghouſe in S^{d}. Town on Wednesday the 28th. Day of March 1759. P. Adjournm^{t}.

The Meeting being Opened the Town proceeded—

Voted And Chose for Town Clerk Sam^{ll}. Fisk—who was Directly Sworn by John Hunt Eſq^{r}.

Voted And Chose for Town Treaſurer M^{r}. Nathl: Harrington

Voted And Chose for Aſsesſors { Mr. John Kemball / Capt. Nathl: Coollidge / Capt. Jonathan Brown }

Voted And Chose for Conſtables { Jonathan Stone. / David Bemis. }

Voted And Chose for Sealer of Leather. Isaac Sanderſon

Voted And Chose for fence Veiwers { Thos: Clark / Jonas White }

Voted And Chose for Surveyers of Highways—— { Samll. Mason / Joseph Paterſon }

Voted And Chose for Tithingmen { David Sanger / Simon Whitney }

Voted And Chose for Hogrieves { Edwd: Harrington Junr. / Thos. Learned Junr- }

Voted and Chose for Deerievs { Thos: Saltmarsh / Smith Prentice }

Voted And Chose for Surveyers and Meaſurers of Timber Bord Plank &c { Jonas Coollidge / Benja- Harris }

Voted And Chose for Hawards or field Drivers—— { Olir. Livermore / Fanning Learned }

Voted & Choſe; Smith Prentic Gager of Casks—

Voted and Choſe for Culler of Hoops and Staves—— { Samll Cook / Bezl. Learned. }

Voted and Choſe for Saxton Simon Hastings—

Voted to pay the Saxton by two Contrabutions as Uſual—

Voted that Swine Shall not Go at Large the Preſent year—

Then the Town Treaſurers Accts- Were Read to the Town and By A Vote Accepted—

Voted And Appropriated the Interest money coming to the Town the Present Year the Year beginning the 11th- of Decr: Last as it was Last year (viz) Five Shillings & Eight pence to the School And the Remainder to the Minister—

Voted And Granted £66—13—4—for A Salary for the Revd- Mr. Seth Storer the Enſewing Year—The Interest money Appropriated to that Uſe to be part of Sd. Sum

Voted And Granted £36—for the Support of the School.

Voted and Granted £40—for the Support of the poor

Voted and Granted £13—6—8— for Repairing the Great Bridge

Then the Accts. of those perſons to whome the Town is indebted Ware Read to the Town And by a Vote Allowed And Accepted—

And £14—16—3— Granted to pay Sd. Accts—

Voted to mend the High Ways the present Year by A Rate—

Voted and Granted £30— for Mending the Highways & Town ways the present year

Voted that the price of Labour in working out sd. Rate be the same it was Last year

Voted And Chose the Surveyers of highways Collectors of s^d^. Rate—

[178] Voted to Abate Josiah Masons Rate in Conſtable Sanderſons List which is £..— 3—5

Voted and Abated George Trents Rate in S^d^. Sanderſons List which is— ..—15—4 £..—18—9

Voted And Abated Joſeph Muzzeys Rate in Conſtable Waldos List of — — — — ..—10—6—1

Voted And Abated in Conſtable Moses Stones List the Tax on the Poll of the Several Perſons After Mentioned—

Thos. Cummings — —	£..—3—11—2
Abel Benjamin — —	..—3—11—2
Jedidiah Learned —	..—3—11—2
Amerah Learned	..—3—11—2
Jedidiah Spring —	..—3—11—2
Convers Spring —	..—3—11—2

in y^e^. W^d^. Hastings Rate—

W^m^- Hastings — — — — — —	..—3—11—2

in Sam^ll^. Masons Rate—

Jonathan Horrs — — — — — —	..3—11—2

1—11—8

Voted And Abated in Conſtable Whites List—

Solomon Sangers in David Sangers Rate — — —	£..—3—11—2
George Thompsons — —	..—3—11—2
John Tainter — — — —	..3—11—2
Sam^ll^. Tainter — — — — —	..—3—11—2
W^m^- Whites — — — — — —	..17— 8—..
Jedidiah Whites — — —	..—3—11—2
Moses Bigelows — — — —	..—3—11—2
W^m^- Saltmarshes — — — —	..—3—11—2
Nathl. Harris Jun^rs^- — — —	..—3—11—2

2—9—4—2

Voted And Abated in Conſtable Jonathan Bemis's List Mr Sam^ll^. Hunts poll Tax— ..—11—4—3

Voted And Abated one John Randals Rate in Conſtable Jonas Coollidges List of — —.1 —8—3

£6—.3—.5—1

Voted And Granted Six pound to Make Good theſe Abatem^ts^-

Upon A Motion made and Seconded the 15—Article was Read and after Debate thereon the Vote was Put whether it be the

mind of the Town to have A Moving School for the time to come—& It Past in the Negative—
Upon A Motion made and Seconded the Question Was put—Whether it be the mind of the Town that the (14) Article in the Warning Relating to the List of Jurimen and the (16) Article Relating to the Com^{tees}- Reporting Should be Put off till May Meeting—And the Vote Past in the Affirmative
Then the Moderator Declared the meeting to be Disſolved

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of M^{r}. Smith Prentice Innhold^{r}- in the Town of Watertown on Wednesday the 28th- of March 1759—for swaering Town officers &c—
At S^{d}. Meeting Three of the Selectmen took the oath Relating to y^{e}. other Goverments Bills (viz) Jonas Bond Eſq^{r}- M^{r}. Amos Bond & M^{r}. Jonathan Child—And the perſons after named took the Money Oath And then were Sworn to the faithfull Discharge of their Offices—viz—Nathl: Harrington Town Treaſurer—John Kemball & Capt Jonathan Brown Aſseſsors—Jonathan Stone & David Bemis Conſtables Isaac Sanderſon Sealer of Leather—Thos: Clark & Jonas White. Fence viewers—Sam^{ll}. Mason and Joſeph Paterſon—Surveyers of Highways & Collectors—Edwd. Harrington Junr- and Thos: Learned Junr- Hogrieve Smith Prentice Dearieve—Jonas Coollidge & Benj^{a}- Harris—Surveyers and Meaſurers of Timber plank—&c—Oliver Livermore & Fanning Learned Field Drivers. Sam^{ll}. Cook & Beza^{l}: Learned Culler of Hoops and Staves.—All Sworn by John Hunt Eſq^{r}- —
March 31—1759—Nathl. Harris Eſq^{r}- Declar'd that he had the Same Day—viz—March—31—Sworn Capt. Nathl. Coollidge to the Office of Aſseſsor first Giving of him the Money Oath.—

[179] At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the houſe of M^{r}. Smith Prentice on the 2^{d}. Day of April—A D. 1759—They Agreed that the Surveyers Bounds or Districts should be as they were Last year. & Joſeph Paterſon to have the west Part and Samuel Mason to have the East Part—
At s^{d}. Meeting Agreed that Mr Beza^{l}: Learned be Deſired to take care of the Bridge the Present year—
At S^{d}. Meeting Agreed that the French Familie be allowed Six Shillings and 8 pence P. Week for the moneth of April & Six Shillings P. Week for the month of may & that the Selectmen Provide for them by Turns A month Each—
At S^{d}. Meeting Agreed that Capt. Coollidge & L^{t}. Whitney two of the Selectmen go and treat with M^{r}. Thos: Phipps. And Agree with him to keep the school Another Quarter. at. Ten Pounds P. Quarter—He to provide for himſelf—Who Agreed with him Accordingly—And M^{r}. Phipps Agreed to begin the Quarter—the 9th.. day of the same Month.

At A Meeting of the Selectmen on Friday the 20th. of April. 1759 At the Houſe of Mr. Smith Prentice in Watertown—they Deſired Bezal: Learned to take spedy Care to Secure the north Pier of the Great Bridge from Sinking & failing of which they Judged there was Great Danger—
At Sd. Meeting they Directed the Clerk to Send Notifications to the Adjessent Towns to Perambulate the Line & Renew the Bound marks betwen the Town of Watertown & the Towns that Joine upon it—On the first monday of May next And Mr. Amos Bond & Mr. Jonathan Child—were appointed to do sd. Service—
At Sd. Meeting They Directed the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant Directed to one of the Conſtables to warn out Margret Gardner who came into town Last month And Reſides at the Houſe of the Wd. Prentice they Refuſing to Admit her As an Inhabitant—Which was Done Accordingly—And Sd. perſon Warn'd out by Jonathan Stone Conſtable—
At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Lt. Daniel Whitney on the first Day of May A D. 1759—They Agreed upon A Town Meeting to be on Tuesday the Eighth Day of May Inſtant at one of the Clock in the afternoon At the Publick Meeting houſe in Sd. Town for the Choice of a Reprefentative—And alſo a Town Meeting to be on the Same Day at two of the Clock in the Afternoon at the publick Meeting houſe for the Ends following (viz) (1) To Choose a Moderator (2) For the Town to act upon the Articles put off at march Meeting to may—(viz) For the Town to make Addition to the List of perſons they may Judge propper to Serve as Jurimen or take off from the Said List as they may Judge propper—And Alſo to Hear the Report of the Comtee- Chosen to Sell Land belonging to the Town and to Purchaſe A Ministereal Place—(3) To hear the Request of Henry Godding praying the Town to Give up to Him the Note of Hand he Gave to the Town for the Rent of the Little Island Below the mills—&c—And for the Town to act their pleaſure thereon (4) For the Town to Hear the pleas of several Late Conſtables for Abatemt. of Henry Learneds Rates in their Lists, and for the Town to act their pleaſure thereon—(5) To know the mind of the Town whether they will Impower the Town Treaſurer to make a Demand of and Sue the Town of Waltham for what is Due from Sd. Waltham to the Town of Watertown (6) To know the mind of the Town whether they will appropriate the money that is Due from Waltham to Watertown (that hath not been Appropriated) Towards the Support of the poor in Caſe the Grants already made for that purpose should not be sofficient
Warrants were Issued out Accordingly—P. S. Fisk Clerk—

[180] At the Selectmens Meeting Last mentioned they

Defired M^r^. Jonas White still to take care of Joseph Stearns upon as Reafonable terms as he can.

At A Genl: Town Meeting of the Freehold^rs^.. and other Inhabitants of Watertown Qualifyed to vote in the Choice of A Representative on the Eighth Day of May 1759 At the Publick meeting houfe—for the Choice of a Reprefentative—
At the Direction of the Selectmen the Meeting was opened & the Votes called for Upon Sorting and Counting of which it appeared that M^r^. Daniel Whitney was Chofen to serve for and Reprefent the Town at the Great And Genl. Court. &c.

At A Genl: Town Meeting of The Freehold^rs^. and other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallifyed to vote in Town affairs Regulerly Afsembled on the Eighth Day of May A D. 1759—
Voted And Chofe Jonas Bond Efq^r^- Moderator of Said Meeting.
Voted And Adjourned the meeting and the Remaining Bufinefs thereof to monday the Twenty first of May Courant at three o Clock afternoon to this place

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of M^r^. Amos Bond may—10—1759 Agreed that the Town Clerk be Directed to Draw a Warrant to warn out of Town Jofeph Ward Last from Newton who hath been in Town as he Saith About ten or Eleven Months—and alfo one for Abraham Scott Last from Lexington who hath been in Town as he Saith about Eight or nine months And one for Eben^r^. Warner from Springfield who hath been in Town as he Saith about three months.—And that the warrants be Drawn as Soon as may be and Deliver them into the Hands of Conftable Stone to Serve.

To M^r^. Sam^ll^. Fisk Town Clerk.

Warrants Were Issued out Accordingly

Jonas Bond.
Nathl. Coollidge.
Amos Bond.
Jonathan Child.
Daniel Whitney.

[181] At A Genl: Town Meeting of the Freehold^rs^. and other Inhabitants of Watertown At the Publick Meetinghoufe in Said Town on Monday the 21st.. Day of May 1759 P. Adjournment.

The Second Article in the Warning was Read Relating to the List of Jurors &c—The following perfons who had been in S^d^. List were excufed & Dismis't viz—Capt. John Tainter Capt.

Nathaniel Coollidge And^{w}- White & En^{n}.. Jonathan Bemis—And the following perſons were added to S^{d}. List. viz Sam^{ll}. Soden Sam^{ll}. Mason Phinehas Stearns Benj^{a}- Harris Nathl: Harris Junr- Abraham Crawley—Daniel Whitney Junr- Thos: Pattin W^{m}- Saltmarsh Edward Harrington Junr- Eben^{r}. Stedson Abijah Brown Convers Spring Nathaniel Sanger, Nathan Coollidge Sam^{ll}- Sanger, Simon Hastings, Fanning Learned. Thos. Learned Junr

The Article Read Relating to the Com^{tees}- Reporting—Several of the Com^{tee}- being preſent. Signifyed that they were not prepared to make a Report—

Then the Article was Read Relating to Henry Goddings Request to the Town upon which the Question was put, Whether it be the mind of the Town to Sink the Rent of the Little Island, Let to Henry Godding in the Year- 1754 And that the Treaſurer be Directed to give up to Him his Note of Hand of one pound Four Shillings which he gave for Said Rent which is in the Treaſurie

And the Vote past in the Affirmative—

Voted and Abated Henry Learneds Rates in Conſtable Whites Lists Amounting to the Sum of Seventeen shillings And Eight pence Two Farthings, And the like Sum Granted to make it Good—

Voted And Abated S^{d}. Henry Learneds Rates in Conſtable Jonathan Bemis's Lists Amounting to the Sum of Thirteen shillings and Two pence and the Like Sum Granted to make It Good.

The Fifth Article Read—& The Question was put whether it be the mind of the Town to Impower the Town Treaſurer to Sue the Town of Waltham for what is Due from the S^{d}. Waltham to the Town of Watertown

And the Vote Past in the Affirmative

The Sixth Article Read, And the Question was put, Whether it be the mind of the Town to Appropriate the Money that is Due from Waltham to Watertown (That hath not been Appropriated) to be Improved in Supporting the poor—

And the Vote Past in the Affirmative—

At a meeting of the Selectmen at the Publick meetinghouſe on Munday at 21 Day of may 1759—They Deſired the Clark to notify the Selectmen of Weston & Waltham that they intend on the first monday of June Next to begin to repair the Great Bridge in Watertown—that the Selectmen of S^{d}. Towns may have an Oppertunity to Aſsist in Said Affair—

They were notifyed A[cco]rdingly—P. S. Fisk Cler

[182] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of M^{r}. Smith Prentice June the 11. 1759. They Agreed that the

Town Clerk be Defired to Prepare the Districts for the Surveyers as they were last year that they may have them as soon as may be, and alfo infert the Price of work as it was Voted at March Meeting—

Jonas Bond
Nath[l]. Coollidge
Amos Bond—

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of M[r]. Smith Prentice on y[e]. 19th. Day of July A D. 1759—They Agreed to Hire M[r]. Tho[s]. Phipps to keep the School another Quarter.
At Said Meeting the Selectmen gave Ord[r]. to the Town Treafurer to give out the Afignments to the Several Conftables for paying the Town Creditors the several Sums Granted to them at Last March Meeting—And alfo to Pay—Two Pound to Joseph Coollidge in Part for his keeping the Wid[w]- Maddocks

At A Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weston and Waltham At M[r]. Richard Cuttings in Waltham the 21-[t] Day of Sep[r]. 1759 the Acc[t] of the Charge of Repairing the Great Bridge in Watertown was Adjusted and Proportioned between S[d]. Towns which is as followeth—

Watertowns Acc[t]: of S[d]. Charges was —	£23—2—8
Westons Ditto — — — — — — — — — —	12—3—3
Walthams Ditto — — — — — — — — —	.2—4—8—
	£37—10—7
Of Which Watertowns Proportion is —	£13—14—10
Westons Ditto — — — — — — — — — —	10—19—.4
Walthams Ditto — — — — — — — —	12—16— 5
	£37—10— 7

Which was Adjusted Proportioned And Signed by the Selectmen of S[d]. Towns At the Meeting AforeS[d]- viz By

Isacc Stearns, Jacob Biglow, Jonas Dix — Selectmen of Waltham

Abraham Bigelow, W[m]- Whitney, John Warrin, John Allen — Selectmen of Weston

Jonas Bond, Nathanael Coollidge, Daniel Whitney — Selectmen of Watertown

[183] At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of M[rs]- Mary Learned Innhold[r]- Nov[r]- 7—1759. They Gave M[r]. Thomas Phipps Schoolmaster an Ord[r] On the Treafurer to Pay him Twenty Pounds for his keeping the School the Last half Year—
At Said Meeting they Agreed with M[r]. Phipps to keep the

School another Quarter for Ten Pounds the Quarter to begin this Day
Agreed to Meet Againe on Monday the 12th. of Novr- Inſtant at Mrs. Learneds
At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Mrs. Mary Learned Novr- 12—1759—They Directed the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to the several Conſtables to warn a Town Meeting to be the —26—Day of Novr- Inſtant at one of the Clock Afternoon—at the Publick Meetinghouſe in Said Town for the Ends following (viz)
(1) To Chooſe A Moderator for Said Meeting (2) To Hear the Report of the Comtee- Appointed by the Town to Sell Lands belonging to the Town and to Purchaſe a Ministerial Place (3) To know the mind of the Town whether Coll: Henry Vaſsel Shall Pay the Judgment that Isaiah Tufts Obtained Against Samll. Sanger at the Superior Court in January Last On Acct. of An Agreement that Said Tufts Should do Said Sangers Turn in the Service in the Year 1758—Out of the Fines Now in the Said CollS.. Hands Recd. of Imprest men—And for the Town to Act their Pleaſure on Said Affair—
Warrants were Iſsued out Accordingly—P. Samll. Fisk Town Cler

At the Selectmens Meeting Above Sd. They Sign'd An Acct. of the Number Age and Circumſtances of the French Familie in Watertown to be Lodged in the Secretaries Office Agreable to the Ordr- of the Great And Genl: Court—And made Oath to the Same before Nathl: Harris Justice of Peace

At Sd. Meeting they Directed the Clerk to Issue out a warrant to Warn out one Jaſher Richardſon and his wife Ruth Richardson and their three Children (viz) John Stephen & Lydia who came from Lincoln Somtime in the month of May Last—And alſo a Child Called Bartlet Kingston from Boston—now reſiding in Daniel Peirces Familie
Warrants were Issued out Accordingly P. Samll. Fiſk Town Clerk—

[184] At A Genl: Town Meeting of the Freholdrs. and other Inhabts.. of Watertown Regulerly Aſsembled at the Publick meetinghouſe in Said Town on Monday the Twenty Sixth Day of Novr. 1759
Voted and Choſe Jonas Bond Eſqr. Moderator for Sd. Meeting The Second Article Read—Then the Comtee. Chosen to Sell Lands belonging to the Town And Purchaſe A Perſonage—&c Reported And their Report is on File—The Question was put whether it be the mind of the Town to Accept of the Committes Report.

And the Vote past in the Affirmative
The third Article in the Warning Read and after Debate thereon the Question was Put Whether it be the mind of the Town that Col^{l}- Henry Vaſsel shall Pay the Judgment Isaiah Tufts Obtain'd Against Samuel Sanger at the Superior Court in January Last on Acc^{t}. of An Agrem^{t}. that S^{d}. Tufts Should do Said Sangers Turn in the Service in the Year 1758 Out of the Fines now in the S^{d}. Coll^{s}.. Hands Rec^{d}. of Impres't Men
And the Vote Pas't in the Affirmative

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of M^{rs}. Mary Learned Inhold^{r}- on Friday the 14th- Day of Decem^{r}. A D. 1759 They Directed the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant to warn one Eleanor Collier and Her Infant Child out of Watertown they came to Town Somtime in the Month of Feby. Last and Reſide in the Houſe of the Wid^{w}- Mary Hastings the Woman an Inhabitant of Boston and the Child Born at Dorchister—A Warrant was Issued out the same Evening & Delivered to Conſtable Stone—P^{r}. Sam^{ll}. Fisk Town Cler
At Said Meeting the Selectmen gave Ord^{r}- To the Town Treaſurer to Pay Eighteen Pounds Four Shillings to Jonas White in full for his keeping Joſeph Stearns to the Second Day of March A D. 1759—
At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of M^{r}. Amos Bond Jan^{y}: 16—1760 They Ordered the Town Treaſurer to Pay or ord^{r}. the Payment of the following Sums of Money to the Perſons afternamed being their Acc^{ts}. of Service &c Relating to the Great Bridge which Sums have been Adjusted between the Towns Concern'd—(viz)

To Jedidiah Spring	£..—9 —4 —
To Bez^{l}: Learned—	3—15—5 —3
To Jonathan Learned—	1—.1 —4 —..
To Edmund Fowle—	..—12—8 —.
To L^{t}. Whitney—	.5—.9 —11—1
To Alpheus Spring—	..—.9 —.8 —3
To Sam^{ll}. Mason—	.1—.6 —8 —.
And—To James Stimson—	.1—10—4 —3

[185] At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Capt. Nathl Coollidge Feb—19—1760 They Directed the Clark to Iſue out warrants to the Several Conſtables to warn A Town Meeting to be on Munday the third Day of March A D. 1760—at Nine of the Clock in the morning—At the Publick Meeting-houſe for the Ends following (viz) (1) To Chooſe A Moderator for S^{d}. Meeting—(2) To Chooſe Selectmen A Town Clerk & Treaſurer and all other Such Town Officers as the Law Requires to be Chosen in the month of March Annually. (3) To Choose a Saxton and Agree how he Shall be Satisfyed for his Ser-

vice (4) To put in their votes for A County Treafurer—(5) To know the mind of the Town whether Swine Shall run at Large the Enfewing Year—(6) To hear the Town Treafurers Acc^{ts}- And for the Town to Choose a Com^{tee}- to Examin S^{d}. Acc^{ts}- & for the Town to pafs upon them—(7) For the Town to Appropriate the Interest money Coming to the Town the prefent year the year beginning the Eleventh of Decr. Last—(8) To Grant a Salary for the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Seth Storer for the Year Infewing the Year to begin the first of March next. (9) To Grant money for the Support of the School—(10) To Grant money for the Suport of the poor—(11) To Grant money for Repairing the Great Bridge (12) To hear the Acc^{ts}- of those perfons to whome the Town is indebted & Grant money to pay them (13) To Grant money if the Town think proper) for mending the Highways and Town ways and to Choose the Surveyers of High ways to be Collectors of the Highway Rate And alfo Determin the price of Labour in working out Said Rate (14) To Hear the please of the present or any Late Conftables for abatement of Any perticuler perfons Rates in their Lists and for the Town to Act their Pleafure thereon (15) To know the mind of the Town Whether the money which is now in Col^{l}: Henry Vafsalls Hands that He Rec^{d}. as Fines Shall So much thereof be appropriated to pay what Isaiah Tufts Recovered against Samuel Sanger And whether Capt. Nathanael Coollidge and Enfign Jonathan Bemis Shall be Impowered to Receive So much thereof as will be Sofficient to discharge the Same when It Shall be Lodged with the Town Treafurer—(16) To Grant money if the Town think proper for the Support of the Nutral French in Watertown (.17) To know the mind of the town whether they will pay back to Mr Sam^{ll} Whitney the Rates that he paid for his Indian fellow & for the town to act their Pleafure thareon (18) To know the mind of the town whether they will Join with the towns of Cambridge Newton & Waltham in raifing a Sum of money by Lottery or otherwife that may be thought proper for Building a workhoufe and for the town to act thare pleafure thereon (19) To know the mind of the town whether they will abate the fall of money Recoverable on the Bonds & note of hand that lie in the Town Treafurie against the Estate of M^{r}. Henry Spring Late of Watertown Dec^{t} & for the town to act their pleafure thareon (20) To know the mind of the town whether they will Grant a Sum of money for the purchasing a Pall (or Burying Cloth) and for the town to act their pleafure thare on

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[186] (21) To know the mind of the town whether they will Dispose of the pews in the Meeting Houfe that Did belong to Capt John Brown and Capt David Baulding and for the Town to act their pleafure on Said affair—

you are Likewiſe ordered to Notifie the perſons to whome the town is indebted to bring in their acc^{ts} to the Selectmen at the houſe of the w^{d} Mary Learned Inholder on Friday the 29th of Feby Inſtant at two of the Clock afternoon in order to have them laid before the town—

Warrants ware Issued out Accordingly & are Returned

At S^{d} Meeting they agreed to hire M^{r}. Thos Phipps to keep the School one month from the time his Last Quarter was up which was the 14 Inſtant They alſo ordered the Town Treaſurer to pay M^{r}. Storer his Salary for the year past

They alſo Directed the Clerk to give out a warrant to warn out Martha Bedwell out of town who Came about the month of June Last past She belong^{d} to Boston as the Selectmen are informed a Warrant was Issued out accordingly the next day—

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the houſe of the w^{d} mary Learneds Feby 29: 1760 for takeing in the acc^{t} of the perſons the town is indebted to the Acc^{ts} brought in are as follows Viz

To Nath^{ll} Harrington for Serving Treaſurer the year past	£2: 13=4	
& for an Excecution against a Conſtable	—6—0	
		2 : 19 : 4
To Joseph Pattiſon for a Small Bridge at Dirty green		.— 5 : 6
To Simon Hastings for Mending the Schoolhouſe :6—8 & for Servis done in mending y^{e} Steps at the Meeting Houſe 6—		—12=8
To Amos Bond for Mending y^{e} Skoolhouſe windows—		— 6—
To Capt Nath^{ll} Coollidge for Serving aſsesor the year past—		—16—
To Capt Jon^{a} Brown for Serving Aſseſsor the year past—		—16—
To m^{r}. John Kemball for serving aſsessor the year past—		—16—
not adjut { To Bez^{l} Learned for Servis done at the grate Bridge Since ajus^{d}		—10—
not adjut { To Jedidiah Leath for Spikes for y^{e} Grate Bridge —		2= 9=2
To Edmund Fowle for five Load of Stone for a Bridge	10—	19= 1—
and for nails & speaks for the School houſe	9 : 1	
To Sundrys Dilivered to william White when going in Servis		—2 : 5—
To Benjamin Harris fo plank for a Small Bridge		— 6 : —

Ajusted Sepr 21: 1759	To Smith Prentice for providing for Labours at Grate Bridg	4—6=3—3
	To w^{d} Mary Learned for providing for Labourers at Grate Bridge	1=11=8=2
	To James Dix for work done at Grate Bridge	—16—
	To Jonas Coollidge for Timber for Grate Bridge	2 : 11—2—
	To Capt Nath^{ll} Coollidge for Servis at Grate Bridge	—6—8—
	To John Kemball for Servis done at Grate Bridge	—4—
	To Jedidiah Learned for work don at Grate Bridge	—3—4—
	To Jonas Bond Esqr for the Servis at Grate Bridge	—2—8
aded at Meting	To Jonas Coollidge for Timber for a Small Bridge	—1 : 2
		£19=15=7=3

The Other Bufinefs of Said Meeting in Page (193)

[187] At A Gen^{ll} Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown Qualified according to Law to Vote in town affairs Regulerly Afsembled on Monday the 3 Day of March AD 1760 for the Choice of Town Officers & other affairs Mentioned in the Warrants

Voted & Chofe Jonas Bond Esqr Moderator of s^{d} Meeting

Voted & Chofe for Selectmen
- Jonas Bond Esqr
- Capt Nathaniel Coollidge
- L^{t}. Daniel Whitney
- Mr Jonathan Child
- Mr Amos Bond

Voted & Chofe Capt Jonathan Brown Town Clerk who was Sworn as the Law Directs by Nathl Harris Esqr

Voted & Chofe Capt Jonathan Brown Town Treafurer—

Voted & Chofe for Afsefsors
- Mr John Kemball
- Capt Nath^{ll} Coollidge
- Capt Jon^{a} Brown

Voted & Chofe for Confstables
- Mr Nathaniel Harrington
- Mr Ebenezer Stone Juner

Voted & Chofe Sealer of Leather Mr Isaac Sanderfon—

Voted & Chofe fence Viewers
- Jonas White
- Daniel Bond

Voted & Chofe Surveyors of High ways
- Samuel Soden
- Phinehas Starnes

Voted & Chofe for Tythingmen—
- Joseph Coollidge
- Jon^{a} Bemis Junr

Voted & Chofe for Hogrieves { William Saltmarfh, Jedidiah Spring }

Voted & Chofe for Deerreives { Thomas Saltmarfh, Sam^ll Cook }

Voted & Chofe for Surveyors of Timber Plank Board &c { Jonas Coollidge, Bezaleel Learned }

Voted & Chofe for Hawards { Sam^ll Warrin, Thos Learned June }

Put to Vote whether the town will Chofe a weigher of Bread Pafs^d in the affeirmative

Voted & Chofe a Bread weigher Cornelius Waldo

Voted & Chofe Gager of Cask Smith Prentice

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Voted & Chofe Cullers of Hoops & Staves { Smith Prentice, Sam^ll Cook— }

Voted & Chofe for a Saxton Simon Haftings

Voted to give him for his Servis two Contrabutions as Uful which he accepted

Then the Votes ware brot in fo a County Treafurer & Deliv^d to a Conftable

Then was put to Vote whether Swine Shall go at at large under the Regulation of the law past in the Negative

Then was Put to Vote whether the Town will Chofe a Committee to examin the Treafurers acc^ts past in the Affeirmative

Voted that three be a Committee for s^d affair

Voted & Chofe a Committee for s^d affair { Decon Sam^ll Fisk, Mr Moses Stone, Mr John Kemball }

Voted that Said Committee make Report at the Ajournment of this meeting & the town Pafs thare on—

Voted & apropiated the intrest money comeing to the town this prefent year the year begining the 11 Day of Decmber Last as it was the last year (Viz) five Shillings & eight pence to the School & the Remainder to the minifter—

Voted & Granted Sum of 66=13=4 a Salary for the R Mr Seth Storer the enfueing year the intrest money appropriated for that ufe to be part of Said Sum—

Voted & Granted the Sum of 40£ for the Support of the School

Voted & Granted the Sum of 40£ for the Support of the Poor

Voted & Granted 6£ for Repairing the grate Bridge—

Upon a Motion made the Question was put whether it be minds of the Town to ajourn this Meeting with the Remaining bufinefs to Monday next at one of the Clock afternoon at the Same place past in the Affeirmative—

The Moderator accordingly Declared it Ajournd—

[189] At A Gen^{ll} town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Qualified according to Law to Vote in Town Affairs Regulerly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting houſe in Said Town on Munday the Tenth Day of March 1760 Pr Ajournment

The Meeting being Opened the Town proceeded on the 12 Article

Put to Vote Whether the town will allow Nathaniel Harringtons acc^{t} for his Services the last year and Grant money to pay the Same it past in the Affirmative—

Then the account of the Several perſons to whome the town is indetted was Read & the Vote put whether it be the mind of the town to Allow s^{d} accounts & Grant the Sum of *£ s d q* 19=15=7=3 to pay the Same it past in the affirmative——

Put to Vote Whether the town will mend the High ways & town ways the preſent year by a Rate past in the Affirmative

Voted & Granted the Sum of 30£ for mending Said ways the preſen year

Voted & Choſe the Surveyors of s^{d} ways to be Collectors the preſent year

Voted that the price of Labour be the Same it was the last year—

Put to vote whether the town will abate James Hays Rates in Conſtable Bemis' List it past in the Negative

Put to Vote whether the Town will abate Joshua Whitneys Pool Tax in Conſtable Bemis' List & Grant the like Sum to make it good it past in the Affirmative—

Put to Vote whether the town will abate Said Whitneys Tax on his Estate in Said List & Grant the like Sum past Negative

Put to Vote whether the town will abate the poll Tax of Joseph Whitneys Son in Said Bemis' List it past in the Negative

Put to vote whether the Town will abate Jeduthun Godings Tax in Conſtable $^{\text{Jona}}_{\text{A}}$ Stones List & Grant the Like Sum of *s d*
6=3 to make it good past in the affirmative

Voted that Sam^{ll} Jeniſons Juner^{s}. Tax in S^{d}. Stones List be abated & the Like Sum of 15=8 be Granted to make it good

Voted that George Mn Roes Tax in Conſtable Moſes Stones *s d q*
List be abated & the Sum of 3 : 11—2 be Granted to make it good—

s d Voted

[190] Voted that 6=6 be abated in Amos Bonds List & the Like Sum be Granted to make it good—

Put to Vote whether it be the minde of the town that the money which is in Coll^{l} Henry Vaſsels hands which he Rec^{d} as

Fines Shall So much of it be Appropriated to pay what Isaiah Tufts Recovered against Samuel Sanger & whether Capt Nathaniel Coollidge & Enſign Jonathat Bemis Shall be Impowered to Receive So much thereof as will be Sufficient to Discharge the Same when it Shall be Lodged in the Treaſurie it past in the Negative—

Put to Vote whether the town will Grant money for the Suport of the Nutrel French it past in the Negative

Then was put to vote whether the town will hear the Report of the Committee appointed to examine the Treaſurers acc^{t} which was Read & Accepted & is on File Se Page (193)

Arti 17 Put to Vote whether the town will pay back to Mr Sam^{ll} Whitney the Rates he has paid for his Indian Fellow it past in the Negative

Put to vote whether the town will Join with the towns of Cambridge Newton & Waltham in Raiſing a Sum of money by Lottery or other wiſe for Building a work houſe that may be thought proper for that purpose.

it past in the Affirmative

Put to Vote whether the town will Choſe a Committee for Said Affair it past in the Affirmative

Voted that three perſons be Choſe a Committee for s^{d}. affair

Voted & Choſe for Said Committee { John Hunt Esqr / Jonas Bond Esqr / Mr Nath^{ll} Harrington }

Put to vote whether the town will abate the fall of money Recoverable on the Bonds & note of hand that lie in the Town Treaſurie againſt the Estate of Henry Spring Late of Watertown Deceſ^{d}

it past in the affirmative

Put to Vote whether the Treaſurer Shall give up Said note of hand it past in the Affirmative

Put to Vote whether the town will Grant money for Purchasing a pall or Burying Cloth it past in the Affirmative

[191] Voted & Granted the Sum of 12£ for Purchaſing Said Cloth

Voted & Choſe for a Committee to purchaſe the Same— { Lt Daniel Whitney / Moſes Stone / Nath^{ll} Harrington }

Arti^{e} 21 Put to Vote whether the Treaſurer be Directed to Tender & pay to Capt John Brown his prime Cost for his pew in the Meeting Houſe it past in the Affirmative

Put to Vote whether the Treaſurer Tender and pay to Capt David Baulding his prime Cost for his pew in Said Meeting Houſe it past in the Affirmative—

Voted to Reconſider thare former Vote and to lett Swin go at Large under the Regulations of the Law—

The Buſineſs of Said Meeting being Over the Moderator Declared it was Deſolved

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Mrs Mary Learned March 10: 1760 for Swareing Town Officers after takeing the money Oath ware Sworn to the faithfull Discharge of thare Severall offices the perſons hearafter Mentioned four of the Selectmen took the Said money Oath

Jonas Bond Esqr
Capt Nathll Coollidge
Lt Daniel Whitney
Mr Jonathan Child
Mr Amos Bond
} Selectmen — Sworn before Nathll Harris Juſtice peace March 13: 1760

Capt Jonathan Brown Town Treaſurer & Aſseſsor—
Mr John Kemball aſseſsor—
Capt Nathll Coolidg toke the oath of aſsessor before Nathl Harris Juſtice peace

Nathaniel Harrington
Ebenezer Stone Juner
} Conſtables

Isaac Sanderſon Sealer of Leather—

Jonas White
Daniel Bond
} Fence Vewers

William Saltmarſh
Jedidiah Spring
} Hogreives

Samuel Soden
Phinehas Starnes
} Surveyors of Highways

[192] Samuel Cook Deerrive & Culler of Hoops & Staves &

Jonas Coollidge
Bezaleel Learned
} Surveyors of Timber &c

Samuel Warrin
Thomas Learned Juner
} Howards

Smith Prentice Culler of Hoops &c Staves &c

The foregoing Perſons ware all Sworn by John Hunt Justis peace—

At Sd meeting the Selectmen Directed the Clerk to Issue out a warrant to warn out one Sarah Straton who Came last from Lexington which was on the 29 of March last past & Direct it Ebenezer Stone Juner Conſtable Sd Sarah reſids at the Houſe of Mr Amos Bond a warrant was Issued out accordingly

Pr Jona: Brown Town Clerk

The Selectmen allſo gave the Clerk an Order for the town Records the Order is as follows Viz

Watertown March 10: 1760

Sr Pleas to Deliver to Capt Jonathan Brown the preſent Clerk

all the Records & other things that belong to the Office of Town Clerk which are in your Hands

To Dec^{n} Samuel Fisk Pr Jonas Bond, Daniel Whitney, Amos Bond } Selectmen

The Selectmen alſo gave an order to the Treaſurer for the things that belonged to that office—& is as follows Viz

Watertown March 10: 1760
To Mr Nath^{ll} Harrington
Sr Pleas to Deliver to Capt Jonathan Brown the preſent Treaſurer all the money Bonds & notes & Records that belong to the office of Treaſurer

Pr Jonas Bond, Daniel Whitney, Amos Bond } Selectmen

[193] At the meeting mentioned in Page (186)
Capt Nath^{ll} Coollidge brough in an acct for Boarding his Brother Sam^{ll} Coollidge from March 7: 1759 to march 7: 1760 being 52 weeks at 6/ P^{r} week. 15=12 and the Selectmen gave him an order on the Treaſurer for the Same
Alſo Joseph Coollidge brought an Acc^{t} for Boarding the w^{d} Mary Maddox from June 26: 1758 To Feby 27: 1760 amounting to the Sum of 14—17—10—2 of which Sum he had Received before £2=9^{s} for the Remainder the Selectmen gave him an Order on the Treaſurer the Sum is 12=8=10=2—
The Selectmen alſo gave an order on the Treaſurer to pay £13 : 6 : 8 to Mr Thomas Phipps for his keeping the School from the Seventh of November Last to the fourteenth of March next being four Months—

At S^{d} Meeting Mr John Cook Late Surveyor of Highways Reported to the Selectmen that he had worked out his Highway Rate—
The Report of the Committee on the Treaſures acc^{ts} as follows Viz

Watertown March : 10 : 1760

We the Subscribers appointed by the town to Examin the town Treaſurs Acc^{ts} have Examind S^{d} Acc^{ts} and find them well Voucht & right Cast—

Sam^{ll} Fisk, Moses Stone, John Kemball } Com^{tee}:

[194] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Capt Nath^{ll} Coollidge on the 24 Day of March: 1760

the aſsessors made Return of the high way aſsesment which the Selectmen accep^t & ordered to be recorded

They alſo Agreed to hire Mr Edward Ruſsel to keep the School a Quarter of a year & to give him Ten pounds for his Servis he to provide for him Self the Quarter to begin next Thursday

Ordered that the Clerk give the Diſstricts to the Surveyors as they ware the last year & alſo annex the price of labour as it was Voted at march Meeting—

Agreed that Bezaleel Learned be Deſired to take Care of the grate Bridge the enſueing year.

Ordered that the Clerk give out notifications to the officers that are not Sworn that they appear before one of his Majesties Justices of the peace to be Sworn to their reſpective officeses

Gentlemen——

Watertown May 26: 1759

Aſsessors Certificate

We the Subscribers aſsessors for the town of Watertown have aſsest upon the Rateble Pools & estates of Said Town the Sum of thirty pounds being a grant made the last march meeting for mending the high ways & town ways & have Committed Lists of the Same to the Several Collectors who are alſo Surveyors of ye highways Viz

To m^r Joseph Patterſon Collector the Sum of £16:2:5:2

To m^r Samuel Maſon Collector the Sum of 13:17:6:2

with warrants to Collect the Same or Se that it be worked out agreable to the Vote of the Town So as to make up their Acc^ts with the Selectmen of Said Town on or before the First Day of Feb^ry next enſueing the Date hearof

John Kemball
Nath^ll Coollidge
Jon^a Brown

To ye Selectmen

[195]

Gentlemen

Watertown March 14: 1760

Aſsessors Certificate

We the Subscribers aſsessors for the town of Watertown have aſsest upon the Rateble Pooles & estates of S^d. Town the Sum of Thirty pounds being the Grant made the las march Meeting for mending the Highways & Town ways & have Committed Lists of the Same to the Several Collectors who are alſo Surveyors of the highways Viz

To Mr Phinehas Starnes Collector
the Sum of £15 : 13
& To M^r. Sam^ll Soden Collector the
Sum of 14 : 7
with Lawfull warrants to Collect the Same or Se it worked out agreable to the Vote of the town So as to make up their acc^ts with the Selectmen on or before the first Day of Feb^ry next Enſueing the Date hearof—

John Kemball
To ye Selectmen Nath^ll Coollidge
Jon^a Brown

At at a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham They Agreed (After Conſidering) the grate Charge the Towns ware at in Maintaining the Grate Bridge over Charles River in Said Watertown to Incert an article in the Warning of their May Meetings

The Same Day Viz Wedensday May 7: 1760 at the House of Leiu^t Daniel Whitney they Meet & Ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directted to Constables to warn a General Town Meeting agreable to a Precept they have Recived for Assembling the Inha^ts of Watertown for to Chooſe a Repreſentative to Repreſent them at a General Aſsembly appointed to be Convened on Wedensday the 28 Day of May Currant, the Meeting to be Munday the Nineteenth day of may Currant at one of the Clock afternoon at the Publick Meeting Houſe then & there to Elect & Depute a Sutable Perſon to Repreſent them at the Court above Said
Likewiſe to warn the freeholders & other Inhabitants Qualyfied to Vote in town affairs to Meet at two of the Clock at Said Place to act on the following articles Viz—

as
[196] 1st To Chooſe a Moderator for Said Meeting (2) as the Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham agreed to Icert the following in their warnings for their Meetings this Instant May Viz To know the minde of the town whether they will Chooſe a Com^tt to Join with a Com^tt from Weston & Waltham to Repreſent to the Grate & General Court the grate Charge of Maintaining the grate Bridge over Charls River in Watertown & Petition the Court for Some Releif by a Lottery & for the town to act there Pleaſure thereon (3) to hear the Pleas of Mr Samuel Hager for abateing his Sons Jonathans Poole Tax in Constable Bemis' list of Rates & Grant Money to make it good (4) To know the mind of the town whether they will give Some further Inſtructions to their Treaſurer for the more Speedy Collecting the Intrest Money Comeing to the town that So the

Revd Mr Storer may have his Salery more Seaſonably & for the town to act there Pleaſure thereon—
(5) To know the Minde of the Town whether they will do aney thing toward Repairing the fences on the Miniſteral Farm and to act there Pleaſure thereon (6) To know the mind of the town whether they will Cooſe aney town officers in the Rome of thoſe that Neglect or Refuse to take the Oaths Required by law (7) To know the minde of the Town whether they will grant a Sum of money or do aney thing aney other way to Sattisfie the Judment that Isaiah Tufts Recovered against Samuel Sanger & for Capt Coollidge and Enſign Bemis to Draw the Same out of the Treaſury when it is Collected and pay said Charge & for the town to act their Pleaſure thereon (8) For the town to Pass upon a list of Jurors which are to be laid before them (9) To know the minde of the town whether they will Dispose of the pews that belonged to Capt Brown & Capt Bauldwin and for the Town to act there Pleaſure there on

Warrants ware Issued out accordingly

Attest Jon^{a} Brown Town Clerk

The Constables Districts ware given out as follows To Constable Harrington Begining at Joseph Harringtons all the Inhabitants in that lane & from Starnes Corner to the School Houſe & on the west Side of the Road to the Meeting houſe & all the Inhabitants from thence to the Bridge & on the South Side of the River and all the Inhabitants west to Waltham David Sanger & Samuel Benjaman with Such as Reſide with them are in Cluded in Said Bounds

[197] Constable Stones Districts is as follows begining m^{r} Richard Clarks from thence to the Inhabitants in the Road to Kemballs and So to Jonas Barneds & John Randals and Springs & Ebenezer Godards all the Inhabitants Eastward to Cambridge at Said meeting Jonas White brought in an account for Boarding Joseph Stearnes from the Second day of March 1759 to the Second Day March 1760 being 52 weeks at 7 s p^{r} week——— 18: 4: 0
and for Cloathing makeing and mending &c — —— 1: 15: 6

19: 19: 6

and the Selectmen gave an order on the Treaſurer to pay the Same— —
They ordered the Town Clerk gitt Two Boxes for Jurors as Soon as may be
At a General town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in the Choiſe of a Repreſentative Regularly aſsembled at the publick Meeting

Houſe in s^d Town on Munday the Nineteenth Day of May 1760 for the Choiſe of a Repreſentative After the Votes ware brought in & Sorted & told it appeared that Mr Daniel Whitney was Choſen to Repreſent the town at a great & General Court or aſsembly appointed to be Convened held & keept for his Majesties Servis at the Court houſe in Boston on Wedensday the twenty Eight day of May Currant p^r the Major part of the Selectmen being preſent — — — — — — — — — —

At a General Town Meeting of the freeholders & other inhabitants Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled on the Nineteenth Day of May 1760 for the ends Sett forth in the warning:—

Voted & Choſe John Hunt Esqr Moderator—

Then the Second article was Read and Put to Vote whether the town will Choſe a Com^te to Join with a Com^ttes from weston & waltham to petition the general Court for a Lottery to raiſe money for to Repair the great Bridge and it past in the affeirmative — — — —

Voted & Choſe for Said Committe { John Hunt Esqr, Leiu^t Daniel Whitney, Mr John Kemball }

3 art Put to Vote whether the town will abate Jonathan Hagers pole Tax in Conſtable Bemis list & grant money to make it good it passt in the Negative — — — — —

4 article

[198] 4 Article was Read put to Vote whether the town Direct their Treaſurer to to put the Bonds in Suit the next term after the Interest is Due if not paid it past in the affeirmative—

Put to Vote whether the town will act on the fifth article & it paſst in the Negative — — — — — — —

Put to Vote whether the town will act on the Sixth articl it paſst in the Negative — — — — —

Put to Vote whether the town will act aney thing on the Article relating to Capt Coollidge' it passt in the Negative

Then the lists of Juriors was read to the town and put to Vote whether the town do accept of the List for the Superior Box as now Exhibited it past in the affeirmative

alſo Voted & Accepted the List for the Inferior Box as exhibited

The Ninth article was Read & Put to Vote whether the town will act on s^d article and it passt in the affeirmative

Upon a Motion made & Seconded it was put to vote whether this meeting be ajourned with the Remaining buſineſs till the Second Munday in June next at three of the Clock afternoon at this place it past in the Affeirmative

Then the Moderator Declared it ajourned accordingly

At a General Town Meeting of the freeholder & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled on Munday the ninth Day of may 1760 by ajournment
1 Put to Vote whether it is the minde of the town to Dispose of the pew y^{t} was Capt John Browns at this time & it past in the affirmative
2 Put to Vote whether it is the minde of the town that the next highest payer to Capt Brown Shall have the pew y^{t} was s^{d} Browns & So on till the whole is Disposed of & it past in the Negative
Put to Vote whether Docter Josiah Convers Shall have the pew that was Capt Browns During his Life or abode in the town he paying the prime Cost & it past in the Negative

Put

[199] Put to Vote whether the town will grant the pew y^{t} was Capt Browns to the heirs of Sam^{ll} Coollidge on the Same footing that the other pews ware Disposed of & it past in the Negative—
Put to Vote whether the town will Sell the pews that ware Capt Browns & Capt Bauldwins to the highest bider he being an Inhabitant of the town & the pews to be on the Same footing as the other pews and it past in the affirmative— — — — —

Voted & Choſe a Com^{tt}. for s^{d} affair— { Mr John Kemball— / Enſ^{n} Jon^{a} Bemis— — / Capt Jon^{n} Brown— }

Put to Vote whether the town will Reconſider the Vote relating to Capt Coollidge & Enſign Bemis & it past in ye Negative
Put to vote whether the town will Reconſider the Vote relating to Mr Storers fence & it past in the affirmative
Put to vote whether the town will Choſe a Com^{tt} to Repair his fence & it past in the affirmative— — — —

Voted & Choſe a Com^{tt} for Said affair— { Leiu^{t} Daniel Whitney / Capt Edward Harrington / Mr Moses Stone }

Put to Vote whether the town will Reconſider the vote with Regard to m^{r} Hager & it past in the Negative — — —
The buſineſs of the meeting being over the Moderator declared it Diſolved—

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the houſe of M^{r} amos Bond on Friday the : 27 Day of June: 1760 they agreed to hire Mr Edward Ruſsell our preſent School maſter to keep the School three Quarters of a year longer & to give him thirty pounds for his Servis—

[200] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the houſe of M^{rs}. Mary Learneds on Sepr 5: 1760 they gave their Conſent to the

following perſons renewing their licences (Viz) Mrs Mary Learned, & Thomas Saltmarſh, Innholders, John Hunt Esqr. Miſsures Cornelius Waldo, & John Remington & m^rs^ Hannah Livermore Retailors— — — —

The Selectmen agreed to have a meeting with the Selectmen of Waltham at the houſe of m^rs^ Mary Learned on Munday the fifteenth day of this Inſtant Sepr at 2 of the Clock afternoon to Settle accounts between the towns & ordered the Clerk to notifie them

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown & Waltham at the houſe of m^rs^ Mary Learned on Munday the 15 Day of Sepr 1760 for to Settle accounts betwen the two towns it apear^d^ that thare was due upon Ballance the Sum of 16 : 17 : 9 : 3 exclufive of Mrs Maddox' Charge the Selectmen of Waltham Objected against the adjustmen on Feby 1: 1748 becauſe the Charge of the Wid^o^ Maddox was brought in So nothing further was done but the Selectmen of Watertown promis to lay the matter before the town the next meeting

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the houſe of Leiu^t^ Daniel Whitney on October: 13: 1760 they ordered the Clerk to give the grants to the Aſseſsors that ware made last march meeting and Order them to be aſseſed directly — — —

at s^d^ meeting they gave an order on the town Treaſurer to pay or order the payment of the Sum of nineteen pounds fifteen Shillings & Seven pence three farthings to the town Creditors which was granted to them last march meeting — — — — —

They alſo gave an Order on the treaſurer to pay Mr Edward Ruſsel Schoolmaſter the Sum of twenty pounds for his keeping the School the first half year— — — — —

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the houſe of the widdow Mary Learned on Tuesday December : 2 Day : 1760 the Selectmen haveing bin informed that one abijah Hammond & his wife & their two Children ware Come to Reſide in Watertown at the houſe of John Hunt Esqr that they came last from Newton abouth the Tenth day of March Last past alſo that one Robert Barry is come to Reſide at m^r^ Samuel Maſons he Came last from s^d^ Newton about the month of march Last past and that one Elizabeth Bowman is Come to Reſide at the Houſe of Capt Nathaniel Coollidge She Came last from Lexington about the month of march Last past

and

[201] and that one Joseph Wilſon was come to reſide in s^d^ Watertown he came last from Danvers in the County of Essex, abouth the month of march Last past, & reſides at the houſe of m^r^ Robert Learned, as the Selectmen are Informed, their Circum-

ſtances being Such that thay fearing they may become Chargable to the town if not timely prevented, ordered the Clerk to give out a warrant to Mr Ebenezer Stone one of the Conſtables to warn all the afore Said perſons to Depart forthwith out of Said town, which was accordingly done the Same week—

Attest Jonathan Brown Town Clerk

at the aforeSaid meeting the Selectmen gave an Order on the town Treaſurer to pay the Revd Mr Seth Storer the Sum of
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66 : 13 : 4 which was Granted last march meeting for his Salery for the preſent year — — — — —

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Mrs Mary Learned on munday the twenty ninth Day of December 1760 thay gave an order to the town Treaſurer to pay m^{r} Edward Ruſsel Ten pounds for Keeping the School a Quarter of year—

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Mr Amos Bond on Feb^{y}: 11: 1761 they gave an order on the Town Treaſurer to pay Six Shillings out of the Treaſury to augustus Hibbert towards his Support And an Order to pay to Capt Nathaniel Coollidge the Sum of fifteen Pounds Twelve Shillings for Boarding his Brother Samuel Coollidge from the Seventh Day of March last to the Seventh day of march Next, Likewiſe they gave an order to Pay to Jonas Bond Esqr nine Shillings & to Leiu^{t} Daniel Whitney Eighteen Shillings & eight pence To Mr Amos Bond nine Shillings & To m^{r} Jonathan Child eight Shillings which Sums they had Expended in Supporting the French Family— They alſo Ordered the Clerk to write to the Selectmen of Cambridge Newton & Waltham to Deſire them to Incert an article in the warrants for their next march Meetings to know the minde of their Several towns whether they will Join with Watertown in Erecting a Work houſe
Letters ware accordingly Sent Dated the next Day

Attest Jon^{a} Brown Town Clerk

[202] At the Meeting Mentioned last on the last page ye Selectmen Agreed upon a Town Meeting to be on Munday the Second day of March next at nine of the Clock before noon at the Publick Meeting Houſe & Directed the Clerk to Issue out warrants to the Several Conſtables to warn the freeholders & Other Inhabitants Quallified to Vote in Town to Meet at time & Place afores^{d} for the ends following Viz 1 To Choſe a Moderator for s^{d} meeting. (2) To Choſe Selectmen a Town Clerk & Treaſurer and all other town officers required by law to be Choſe in the month of march annually (3) To Choſe a Saxton & agree how he Shall be paid for his Servis (4) To Put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer (5) To know the minde of the town whether Swine Shall Run at large the enſueing

year (6) To Chofe a Committe to examin the Treafurers accounts & to pafs aney Votes thereon that they may think proper (7) For the town to appropriate ye Intereft money Comeing to them the Prefent year the year begining the eleventh of Decem^r^ Last past (8) To Grant a Salary for the Rev^d^ m^r^ Seth Storer for the year enfueing the year begining the first of march next, (9) To Grant money for the Support of the School (10) To grant money for the Support of the Poor (11) To grant money for Repairing the grate Bridge (12) To hear the accounts of thofe Perfons the town is Indebted to & grant money to Pay the Same (13) To Grant money to Repair the Highways & Town ways if the town think proper & to Chofe the Surveyors Collecttors of ye Highway Rate & Determin the price of Labour in working out s^d^ Rate (14) To hear the Pleas of the Prefent or Late Conftables for abateing any Perticuler Perfons Rates & for the town to actt their pleafure thereon (15) To hear the Petition of Nathaniel Harris Esqr praying the town to abate two years Intereft on a Bond which he gave the town for a peice of land lying near the mill Creek for the Reafons Sett forth in s^d^ Petition & for the town to act their Pleafure thereon (16) To hear the Petition of the wid^o^ Elizabeth Learned Praying the town to Choofe & Impower a Com^tt^: to give her a Deed of a Peice of Land bought of the town by her late Hufband or for the town to give Some Directions to the Com^tt^ formerly Chofe for s^d^ affair with refpect to exchaning the Bond & for the town to act any thereon that they may think proper (17) To know the minde of the town whether they will Come into any method to end the Difpute betwixt Watertown & Waltham Relating to Walthams part of the Charge in Maintaining the wid^o^ Maddox and for the town to act any thing on said affair they may think proper— (18) To know ye minde of the town whether they will Join with any of the Neighboring towns in erecting a workhoufe, & if other towns Decline, whether they will proceed to Erect or Procure one them Selves & for the town to act any thing on the affair they may think proper (19) To hear the Report of the Com^tt^ appointed to Sell the pews that ware Capt John Browns & Capt David Bauldwins and for the town to appropriate the money arifeing by the Sale there of or to act any thing relating there to they may think proper

Likewife to Notifie the town Creditors to bring in their acc^ts^ to the Selectmen on Fryday the twenty Seventh of this Inftant Feby at 2 of the Clock afternoon at the Houfe of the wid^o^ Mary Learned

Warrants ware Issued out accordingly

Pr Jon^a^ Brown Town Clerk

[203] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the houfe of the wid^o^ Mary Learned on Fryday the 27 day of Feb^y^: 1761 for

takeing in the acc^{tts}. of thoſe perſons the Town is Indebted to the accounts brought in are as follows (Viz)

To m^{r} Sam^{ll} Haſtings for mending ye meeting & School houſe Glaſs	1 : 1 : 1 : 1
To m^{r} Edward Maning for Botoming a Chair for ye School houſe	0 : 1 : 10 : 2
To James Barned for Boarding Mary Preiſt 11 weeks at 3 : 4 p^{r} week	1 : 16 : 8 : 0
To James Barned for Boarding mary Coollidge & Mary Preiſt & Sundry other things	4 : 0 : 5 : 0
To Simon Haſtings for work don at the School houſe	0 : 13 : 10 . 1
To Bezaleel Learned for work don at the greate Bridge Since adjuſted	0 : 17 : 0 : 0
To him for warning Sundry Town Meetings & Serving Conſtable in ye Year: 1757—	0 : 11 : 0 : 0
To moſes Stone for warning Sundry Town Meetings & Serving Conſtable: 1758	0 : 9 : 0 : 0
To Jonas White for like Service	0 : 9 : 0 : 0
To Jon^{a} Stone for Serving Conſtable in the Year: 1759 & warning Sundry Town Meetings & warning eight perſons out of Town	0 : 17 : 0 : 0
To Jedidiah Spring for two Locks for the Pound	0 : 2 : 6 : 0
To Jedidiah Leath for hinges &c for the School houſe	0 : 6 : 3 : 2
To Jonas Coollidge for Planck for Smelt brook bridge	1 : 17 : 4 : 0
To Simon Haſtings for three Stones for a Small bridge	0 : 2 : 0 : 0
To John Cook for Plank & Stones for a Small bridge	0 : 3 : 4 : 0
To Simon Whitney for Stones for three Small bridges	0 : 10 : 0 : 0
To Nath^{ll} Harrington for Carrying Suſanna Bollaſon to Cambridge	0 : 3 : 0 : 0
To Jon^{a} Brown for Serving Treaſurer & aſseſsor the Year Past	3 : 9 . 4 —
To John Kemball for Serveing aſseſsor the Year past	0 : 16 : 0 —
To Capt Nath^{ll} Coollidge for Serveing aſseſsor the year past— —	0 : 16 : 0 —
To Amos Bond for Stones for a Small Bridge	0 : 5 : 0 —
To m^{r} Samuel Fisk for Stones for a Small bridge	0 : 3 : 0 —
	19 : 11 : 8 : 2

At Said Meeting the Selectmen gave an order to the Town

Treaſurer to pay m^r^ Edward Ruſsel the preſent School maſter Ten pounds for his last Quarter of a Year in keeping the School it ending the twenty Seventh day of March Next—
At Said Meeting the Selectmen being Informed that one abigail Newton was Come to dwell at the houſe of Moſes Stone She came Last from Southborough in the County of Worceſter: on the thirteenth day of September last past her Circumſtances being Such that they would not receive her as an Inhabitant they therefore Ordered the Clerk to Iſsue out a Warrant to warn her out town which was Accordingly don the Next Day
and the Service don and the warrant Returned
Entered March Seſsions

Attest Jon^s^ Brown Town Clerk

[204] At a Gene^ll^ Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled & meet at the Publick Meeting Houſe in Said Town on Munday the Second Day of March AD 1761 for the Choice of town Officers & Tranſacting other town affairs Mentioned in the Warrants &c—
Voted & Choſe Jonas Bond Esq. Moderator of s^d^ Meeting——

Voted & Choſe for Selectmen
- Jonas Bond Esqr
- Capt Edward Harrington
- Mr Jonathan Child
- Mr Nathaniel Stone
- Lt Daniel Whitney

Voted & Choſe for Town Clerk Capt Jonathan Brown
Voted & Choſe for Town Treaſurer Capt Jonathan Brown

Voted & Choſe for Aſseſsors
- Capt Jon^a^ Brown
- Mr John Kemball
- Capt Nath^ll^ Coollidge

Voted & Choſe for Conſtables
- Mr Nehemiah Maſon
- Mr Simon Whitney

Voted & Choſe for Wardens
- Mr John Kemball
- Mr Samuel Cook

Voted & Choſe Sealer of Lether Mr Isaac Sanderſon

Voted & Choſe fence Viewers
- Mr Richard Clark
- Mr Thomas Harrington

Voted & Choſe Surveyors of Highways
- Mr Oliver Livermore
- Mr Samuel Whitney

Voted & Choſe Tythingmen
- Mr Jonathan Learnen Junr
- Mr James Dix

Voted & Choſe Hogrieves
- Mr William Bond
- Mr Jon^a^ Coollidge Goding

Voted & Choſe Deerrieves
- Mr Thomas Saltmarſh
- Mr David Bemis

Voted & Choſe Surveyors of Timber Plank &c
- Mr Bezaleel Learned
- Mr Jonas Coollidge

Voted & Chofe Howards { Mr William Goding juner / Mr Joseph Patterfon juner }
Voted & Chofe Clerk of the Market Mr Edmund Fowle
Voted & Chofe Gager of Cask Samuel Cook
Voted & Chofe Cullers of Hoops & Staves { Mr Bezaleel Learned / Mr Samuel Cook }
Voted & Chofe Saxton Mr Simon Haftings
Voted to pay the Saxton by two Contrebutions as Ufual

[205] The Vote was put whether it is the minde of the town that Swine Should Run at Large the prefent Year under the Regulation of the law and it past in the Negative—

Voted & Chofe a Committe to Examin ye Treafurers Acc^tts { Mr Nathl Harrington / Mr Saml Fisk / Mr John Kemball }

Upon a motion made & Seconded the vote was put whether this meeting with the Remaining bufinefs be Adjournd to Munday the Ninth Inftant at 1 of the Clock afternoon at this place and it past in the Affirmative—

At a Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to vote in town affairs on Munday the Ninth day of March AD 1761 p^r Adjournm^t
The Com^tt appointed to Examin the Treafurers accounts brought in there Report which was Read and is a follows (Viz)
The Report of the Com^tts Chofen by the town March the 2 day 1761 To Examin the Treafu^rs Acc^ts.
Upon Examination of Said Accounts we finde them Right Cast and well Vouch^t

Watertown March 9: 1761 { Nath^ll Harrington / John Kemball / Sam^ll Fisk } Com^tte:

Then the Question was Put whether it be the minde of the town to accept of the Report of the Com^tt. on the Treafurers accounts and it past in the Affirmetive—

The 7 article was Read Put to vote whether the town will appropriate the Intereft money Comeing to the town the prefent Year (the year begining the Eleventh day of December last) as it was the last Year (Viz) five Shillings & eight pence to the School & the Remainder to the minifter & it past in the affeirmative— — — —
Voted & Granted the Sum of 66 : 13 : 4 a Salary for the Rev^d Mr Seth Storer the enfueing Year the Intereft money appropriated to that Ufe to be part of said Sum—
Voted & Granted the Sum of 40 Pounds for the Support of ye School

Voted & Granted the Sum of 40 Pounds for ye Support of the Poor—
Then the accounts of the town Creditors ware Read & accepted & the Sum of : 19 : 11 : 8 : 2 Granted to pay the Same—

[206] The Question was Put if it be your Minds to grant the Sum of : £13 : 6 : 8 to mend the High ways & Town ways & the Surveyors to draw the money out of the Treafury as Need Shall Require—
and the Vote past in the affirmative
Put to vote if it be your minds that the Late Surveyors be Directed work out there Remaining Rates in Six Months & make up there accounts with the Selectmen & it past in the Affirmative
Voted to abate Henry Bonds Tax in Conftable David Bemis' List and Granted the Sum of 0 : 7 : 6— to make it good and alfo abated his Tax in Conftable Nathaniel Harringtons Lists & Granted the Sum of 0 : 19 : 6 : 3. to make it good
Voted & abated James Hays Tax, in Conftables Harrington list
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& Granted 7 : 7 : 2 to make it good and alfo abated 0: 8: 0— in Conftable Bemis list and granted the like Sum to make it good—
Voted to abate Abraham Scott Tax in Conftable Bemis' List & Granted 0 : 6 : 3—to make it good—
Voted to abate Mofes Hagers Tax in said Bemis' list and granted 0 : 6 : 3—to make it good— — — — —
Voted to abate Jofhua Whitneys Tax in m^r Bemis' list and Granted the Sum of 0 : 13 : 6 : 2 to make it good
Voted to abate Oliver Learneds Tax in Conftable Harrington
s d
List & Granted 0 : 15 : 2—to make it good—
The (15) article was Read relating to Nathaniel Harris' Petition and Said Petition being Read & after Debate thereon it was Put to vote whether the town will Refer the further Confideration thereof to May meeting and it past in the Affirmative
The (16) article Read relating to the wid^o Elizabeth Learneds Request and after Debate thereon it was Put to Vote whether the town will abate the fall of money on her late Hufbands Bond which he gave to the town and it past in the affirmative
Put to Vote whether the Com^tt formerly Chofe for that purpose be Impowr^d to proceed to take up the deed which the town gave her Late Hufband and give her a deed in Lieu thereof
and. it past in the Affirmetive—
Put to Vote whether the town will Refer the Remaining bufinefs to May Meeting and it past in the Affirmetive—

[207] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the houfe of the wid^o Mary Learned on Munday the Ninth Day of March AD

1761 for the Swareing Town Officers all the Selectmen took the oth Relating to other Goverments Bill

Jon[a] Brown took the oths of { Town Clerk / Town Treasurer / Assessor }

John Kemball and Cap[t] Nath[ll] Coollidge the oths of assessor

Simon Whitney—Constable— — — ——

John Kemball Warden

Isaac Sanderson Sealer of Leather

Richard Clark & Thomas Harrington } Fence Veiwers

Oliver Livermore Sam[ll] Whitney } Surveyors of Highways

William Bond and Jon[a] Coollidge Goding } Hogrieves

Jonas Coollidge & Bezaleel Learned } Surveyors of Timber &c

William Goding Juner Joseph Patterson Juner } Hawards.

Edmund Fowle Clerk of the Market

Bezaleel Learned Culler of hoops & Staves &c

The above ware all Sworn to there Respective Offices before John Hunt Justice Peace

After Justice Hunt was gone home M[r] James Dix and M[r] Jonathan Learned Juner appearing offered to take the Oath of Tythingmen and were accordingly Sworn by Jonathan Brown Town Clerk— — — — —

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To Jon[a] Brown Clerk for the town of Watertown

This Certifies that m[r] Samuel Cook who was Chosen by the town of Watertown Culler of Staves Hoops &c as also Warden at their Annuall meeting appeared and was Sworn to the faithful Discharge of his Respective Trust agreable to Law

Coram J. Hunt J. Peace

[208] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of M[rs] Mary Learned on Tuesday the Seventeenth day of March AD 1761 for Puting out the Poor &c

The Selectmen Agreed with M[r] Josiah Bright to Board & take Care of Samuel Coollidge till further orders at four Shillings p[r] week and Desired Cap[t] Edward Harrington & Miff[u] Jonathan Child & Nathaniel Stone three of the Selectmen to remove him next morning to s[d] Brights

They also Agreed with M[r] Simon Coollidge to take & keep Mary Coollidge (his Sister) for one Shilling & Nine pence half penney p[r] week & Said Mary to have what She earns her Self m[r] Coollidge to keep her till further orders

As No perſons appeared to take Joseph Stearnes & the wid° Maddox it was agreed that the perſons that have the care of them do keep them for the preſent

At Said Meeting they Ordered the Clerk to give the Diſtrects to the Surveyors as they were the last Year— — — —

The Selectmen Signed an order on the town Treaſure to pay Joseph Coollidge ten pounds eight shillings which is in full for Boarding the wid° Maddox till the twenty Seventh day of February last past and to pay to Jonas White Twenty one pounds Nine Shillings & four pence which is in full for Boarding & Cloathing &c for Joseph Stearnes till the fifth day of this Inſtant March— — —

They Likewiſe Signed an Order on the Treaſurer to pay Capt Edward Harrington Eighteen Shillings to purchaſe wood for the Nuteral French— — — —

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Jonas Bond Esqr on the fourth Day of May AD 1761

The Selectmen haveing Received a Preecept from the High Sheriff of the County of Midds Requiring them fourth with to aſsemble the Inhabitants of the town in Order to Elect & Depute a Suitable perſon to Repreſent in a greate and General Court or aſsembly Appointed to be held & keept at Boſton on Wedenſday the Twenty Seventh Day of this Inſtant May In obſervance whereof they ordered the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant Directed to the Conſtable Requiring him to warn the freeholders & other Inhatn. of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative to Aſsemble & Meet together at the publick Meeting houſe in sd Town on Munday the Eighteent day of this Inſtant May at one of the Clock afternoon then and there to Elect a Meet perſon to Repreſent the town at a Greate & general Court appointed to be held & kept at the Court Houſe in Boſton on the Twenty seventh Day of this Inſtant May

Likewiſe

[209] Likewiſe to Order the Conſtable to warn the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to Meet at the Publick Meeting houſe in Sd Town on Munday the Eighteenth day of this Inſtant May at two of the Clock afternoon for the ends following (Viz) 1 to Chooſe a Moderator for sd Meeting 2ly To act on the fifteenth Seventeenth eighteenth & Nineteenth articles which ware in the warning of last march Meeting which were put of to this Meeting sd articles to be the Second third & fourth and fifth articles in the warrant — — —

(6ly) To Cooſe any town officers in the place of thoſe that ware Choſe in the month of march last who refuſe to Serve (7ly) To Grant a Sum of Money to Sattiſſie the Committe for

Repairing the fence on the Miniſteral place. and to act any thing further on the affair they may think proper—
(8ly) To Grant money to pay the aſseſsors for Inquiring into the Rateable Estate of the town as Required by law (9ly) To know ye minde of the town whether they will grant a peice of land to mr Daniel Bond in leiu of a peice he has left out to accomodate the Road (10ly) To hear the petition of John Warrin praying the town to abate his Rates in Conſtable Harringtons Lists for the Reaſons Settforth in sd Petition

A Warrant was Issued out accordingly

Attest Jona Brown Clerk

At Said Meeting the Selectmen Deſired Leiut Daniel Whitney to Treat with mr Marſhel Spring to keep the School two Months—

At a General Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly aſsembled & meet at the publick meeting houſe in sd Town on Munday the Eighteenth Day of may AD 1761 for the Choice of a Perſon to Repreſent them in a Grate & General Court or Aſsembly appointed to be held & kept for his Majesties Service at the Court houſe in Boſton on Wedensday the Twenty Seventh day of this Inſtant May The Major part of the Selectmen being preſent The Voters ware Called upon to bring their Votes for a Repreſentative and after the Votes were brot in Sorted & Numbered it appeared that Leiut Daniel Whitney was Choſe to Repreſent the town at the Court above sd

[210] At a General Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabts- of Watertown Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled & Meet at the Publick Meeting houſe in sd Town on Munday the Eighteenth Day of may AD 1761 for Tranſacting town affairs as Sett forth in the warrant for sd meeting—

Voted & Choſe mr Nathll Harrington Moderator for sd Meeting

The Petition of Nathll Harris Esqr being read & after Debate thereon the Queſtion was put whether it be the minde of the town to diſmiſs the petition for this time and it past in the affirmative

Then the Article relating to the wido Maddox was Read & after Debate thereon the Vote was put whether the Committe formerly Choſen for sd affair purſue the matter further as they may think proper

and the Vote past in the affirmative

Then the article relating to erecting a workhouſe was Read & after Debate thereon the Vote was put whether the town will Join with any other towns in Erecting a workhouſe & it past in the Negative

Put to Vote whether the town will erect one them Selves and it past in the affirmative

Voted & Chofe a Committe for s^d affair { Mr Thos Saltmarfh, Jonas Bond Esqr, Mr Cornelius Waldo

Put to Vote if it be your minds that the Committe draw a Plan of a proper houfe & Se whether they can purchafe a peice of land in a Suitable place for to Erect Such houfe on and Se what the Charge thereof will be and lay the Matter before the town at their next meeting and it past in the affirmative — — —

Then the Committes Report was read relating to the Sale of the Pews that were Capt Browns & Bauldwins then the Vote was put whether the town do accept of the Committes report as now Read and it past in the affirmative — — — —

Put to Vote whether the town will appropiate So much of the money arifing by the Sale of s^d pewns as to pay the prime Cost and it Past in the affirmative — — — —

Voted & appropiated the Remaining part of the money arifing by the Sale of the pews towards the Repairing the fence on the Minifteral place — — —

Voted & Granted the Sum of four Pounds towards paying the afsefsors for Inquiring into the Rateable estate of the town as Required by law—

[211] Voted that the old Committe lay out a peice of land to Mr Daniel Bond as they may think proper — — —

Voted and abated John Warrins Rates in Conftable Harringtons lists and Granted the Sum of : 1 : 3 : 6 to make it good

Upon a Motion made & Seconded the Vote was put whether this meeting with the bufinefs of the Sixth article be adjoun^d to Munday next at Six of the Clock afternoon at this place and it past in the affirmative — —

The Moderator Declared accordingly adjourned.

At a General Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitant of Watertown on Munday the Twenty fifth day of may 1761 at the Publick Meeting houfe in s^d Town p^r adjournment

Nehemiah Mafon appearing & promist to take the Oath of a Conftable in a Short time but not Chufeing to do it at this time a Motion was made & Seconded it was put to Vote whether this meeting be Adjourned to the Twenty fifth of august Next at five of the Clock afternoon at this place with any remaining bufinefs and it past in the affirmative — — —

The Moderator Declared it accordingly Adjourn^d.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of the widow Mary Learned on the Seventeenth Day of June 1761 Jonas Bond

Esqr Informed them that a poor Child was brought to him from Medford by a due Courſe of Law
The Selectmen Agreed to look out for a place to put out the s^{d} Child to Nurſe at, and when either of them Shall finde a place and agree what they Shall pay a week to lett the Clerk know that he may make a Record thereof — —

At a Gen^{ll} Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the publick Meeting houſe in s^{d} Town on Tuesday the 25 Day of August AD 1761 p^{r} Adjournment
Mr Nehemiah Maſon appear'd and offer'd to take ye oath of a Conſtable and was accordingly Sworn by Jonathan Brown Town Clerk — —
Upon a Motion it was put to vote whether this Meeting be adjourn'd to the first monday of October next at 5 of the Clock afternoon at this place and it past in the affirmative — —

[212] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at m^{r} Thomas Saltmarſh's on the 28 Day of August AD 1761
They Gave thare Conſent to the wid^{o} Mary Learned & m^{r} Thomas Saltmarſh's & John Hunt Esqr m^{r} Cornelius Waldo m^{r} John Remington and m^{rs} Hannah Livermore's Renewing there licences's — — —

at this meeting the Selectmen haveing received an account from m^{r} Jonas Harrington for 354 feet of plank (which $^{he}_{\wedge}$ brought to the Grate Bridge in watertown) at 20/^{1} p^{r} hundred which amounts to three pounds Ten Shillings & nine pence They ordered the Clerk to write an order to the Selectmen of Weston to pay the Same — — —

At Said Meeting Complaint being made by Several Neighbours that the wid^{o} Warrin was in Sufering Circumſtances they agreed to meet again on Monday the fourteenth day of Sepr at 4 of the Clock afternoon at the wid^{o} mary Learneds to agree with Some Suitable perſon to take care of Said warrin — — —
At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of the wid^{o} Mary Learned on Monday the 21 Day of Sep^{r}: 1761 the Selectmen Agreed to have a Town Meeting on Monday Next at the publick Meethouſe & Directed the Clerk to Issue out warrants to the Several Conſtables to warn the Inhabitants to meet at said time & place to act on the following articles (Viz) (1) to Chooſe a Moderator for Said Meeting (2) To hear the Report of the Committe on the affair of the Work-houſe and for the town to grant money to build Said houſe or do any thing on the affair they may think proper—(3) To know the minde of the town whether they will Chooſe a Committe to Settle the bounds of the land which Nath^{ll} Harris Esqr gave to Sett the Meeting-

Houſe upon (4) To know the minde of the town whether they will give Liberty (to Such perſon or perſon as incline) to Erect Stables on the line betwixt the late Nath[ll] Harris Esq[rs] land and that which he gave to the town—and warrants were Issued out accordingly

Attest J Brown Town Clerk

[213] At Said Meeting they agreed to procure Some Cloathing for the wid[o] Warrin Viz two Shifts a pair of Stockings and a pair of Shoes

At a Gen[ll] Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified according to law to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled & Meet at the publick Meeting Houſe in Said Town on Monday the 28 Day of Sep[r]. 1761

Voted and Choſe M[r] Sam[ll] Fisk Moderator for s[d] Meeting—

Then the Second article was read & the Committ[e] Reported that they had Drawn a Plan of a work-houſe which is thirty foot Square to be four Rooms on the lower floor with a fire place in each of them and a Gamber Roof with two fire places above the Charge of the building they are informed will be about one thouſand pounds old Tenor and after the town had Conſidered and Debated the affair they purpos'd to add two more to the Committe and the Question was put whether it be the minde of the town to add two more to the Committ[e] and it past in the affirmetive — —

Voted & Choſe Cap[t] Edward Harrington & M[r] John Kemball to be of said Committe — — — — —

Then the Vote was put whether it be the minde of the town that the Committe look out further for a Suitable place whereon to build the above said work-houſe & Se what they must give for Such a peice of land, and alſo Inquire what the Charge will be if the houſe be built two Storey high more than if it be but one as above said and Report at the adjournment of this meeting & it past in y[e] affirmative

Then a Motion was made and the Vote was put whether it be the mind of the town that this meeting with the Remaining buiſiness be Adjour'd to Monday next at two of the Clock afternoon at this place and it past in the affirmative — — —

Then the Moderator Declared it accordingly adjourn'd

[214] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of the wid[o] Mary Learned on Munday the 28 Day of Sep[r] AD 1761—

They agreed with m[r] Simon Coollidge to Board and take Care of M[rs] Warrin one Month at 6[s]/[l] p[r] week & to be paid for Cleaning her up the month to begin the fifth day of October Next—

At Said meeting the wid[o] Mary Learned Purpos't to take one of the Children of Jonas Learned and m[r] Bezaleel Learned pur-

pos'd to take the Son of said Jonas for the prefent with out any Charge to the town they alfo agreed to put the Youngest to mr Samll Child at 2s/8 pr week if he would take. as they were informed he would and lett the mother of Said Children provide for her Self as She purpos'd
at Said Meeting they agreed to allow mr Jonas Berned 13/6 old Tenor pr week for keeping Mary Coollidge from the 27 day of Feby last till further orders — — — — — — — — — — —

At a Genl Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified according to law to Vote in town affairs Regularly afsembled and Meet at the publick Meeting Houfe in Said town on Monday the fifth Day of October AD 1761 pr Adjournt
The first article in the warrant was Read and after a long Debate thereon the Vote was put whether the town will grant money to build a work-houfe and it past in the Negative—
(2ly) The Vote was put whether it be the minde of the town to grant the Sum of 13 : 6 : 8 to be improved in part towards hiring a work-houfe and the remainder towards Supporting the poor the prefent Year & it past in the affirmetive— — —
(3ly) The Vote was put whether it be the minde of the town to impower there prefent Committe in the Name of the town to hire a Suitable houfe to be improved as a Work-houfe as Reafonably as they can, and it past in the affirmative— —
The third article was Read and after debate thereon the Vote was put whether the town will Choofe a Committe to Settle the bounds of the land which the late Nathaniel Harris Esqr gave to the town to Sett the Meeting Houfe upon and it past in the affirmative—

Voted

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Voted and Choofe— { Lt Daniel Whitney, Capt John Tainter, Enf Jona Bemis, Capt Edward Harrington, Dea. Samll Fisk } for said Committe

Then the fourth article was Read and after Debate thereon the Quefton was put whether it be the minde of the town to act aney thing on this article and it past in the Negative
The bufinefs of the Meeting done the Moderator Declared it Defolved — — — — — — — — —

At a Genll Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town affairs Regularly afsembled & Meet at the publick Meeting Houfe in

Said Town on Monday the fifth Day of October AD 1761 pr adjourt — — — — —
The Committe appointed to repair the fence on the Miniſterel place being preſent informed the town that they had not finiſhed Said fence and So Did not know what the Charge would be and therefore did not Deſire aney grante at this time and there being no other buiſneſs the Meeting was Deſolved—
N B the last Mentioned Meeting was begun on the Eighteenth Day of may 1761 and Continued by adjournments to this time
At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 29 Day of October 1761 at the houſe of Mr William Bond— — — — — —
They agreed to bind a Poor Child (Called Mary Mathyrs) to Mr William Goding of Woburn and accordingly Signed the Indentures and agreed that sd Goding Should have thirteen pounds Six Shillings and eight pence with the Child, he giveing Security to the town to Save the town from any further Cost that may ariſe by sd Child And ordered the Clerk to take a Bond and a Mortgage Deed on Ten acres of sd Godings Land which Lies in Woburn for the Towns Security which was accordingly done
Pr J Brown T Clerk

[216] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Mr Jona Child on the 16 : Day of Novr: 1761 They ordered the Clerk to Issue out a warrant to warn the several perſons hereafter mentioned to Depart out of town Viz Daniel Edds with his wife and Child who came Last from Charlstown about the month of April last & Reſide at the Houſe of Jedidiah Leath & Thomas Ruſsel who came last from Boſton in the County of Suffolk in the month March last & Stephen Maſon who came from sd Boſton in May or June last and both Reſide at the houſe of the wido Mary Learned And Richard Truſdal and his wife and four Children who came last from Newton and Reſide in a Houſe that belongs to John Hunt Esqr they came into town in August last past and abiah Foster who came last from Waltham on the Second day of July last and Reſides at the Houſe of Andrew White alſo Kezia Ruſel who came last from Boſton in the County of Suffolk in the Month of April last to Reſide at the Houſe of Samuel Nutting— — — —
A Warrant was Issued out accordingly & given to Conſtable Simon Whitney and the Service was done (Except to Kezia Ruſsel who Could not be found) and the warrants Returned Cautions entered Decr Seſsions
Attest Jona Brown Town Clerk
at sd Meeting the Selectmen Signed an order on the town Treaſurer to pay the town Creditors what was granted them last march Meeting also an order to pay the Revd Mr Seth Storer his Salary for the preſent Year— — —

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Capt Edward Harrington on Monday the Seventh day of Decr: 1761
They being Informed that on Katherine Draper was come to Reſide at the Houſe of Mathew Johnſon in Watertown She came last from Deadham in the County of Suffolk her Circumſtances being Such that they Refuſe to admitt her to be an Inhabitant of Said town Ordered the Clerk to Issue out a warrant to warn her out of town a warrant was Issued out accordingly and given to S. Whitney and the Service done & the warrant Returned and the Caution Entered at December Sessions
Attest J Brown Town Clerk

[217] At Sd Meeting the Selectmen being Informed that Kezia Ruſsel was Lurking about & Could not be found at preſent ordered the Clerk to give out an other warrant to Mr Simon Whitney to warn her out as Soon as She can be found which was accordingly done

They alſo Agreed that mrs Learned the wife of Jonas Learned Should Continue at mr Jonathan Child's where She now is till further orders And that the sd mr Child and mr Nathaniel Stone who are two of the Selectmen be Deſired to gitt what things She has at Cambridge and bring them to mr Childs Houſe

—The Selectmen ordered the Treaſurer to Call upon the perſons, who Received thoſe persons into town (that have bin warned out) emediately to pay the Charge thereof. and if any perſon or perſons Refuſe or Neglect to pay the Same to Sue them emediately— — —
They Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay the Committe thirteen pounds eleven Shillings for making fifty five Rods of Stone wall and for Posts on the miniſteral place

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the Eighteenth day of January 1762 at the Houſe of the wido Mary Learned — — —
The Select-men ware Informed that Elizabeth Warrin was in a way to Spend what Estate She had they Deſired Capt Edward Harrington to go & Inquire into her Circumſtances and Report at the Next meeting— — — — —
Mr. Nathaniel Coollidge Junr informed that his Uncle Samuel Coollidge was with him and wanted Some Cloathing
The Selectmen agreed that sd Nathll Coollidge Junr Should procure him one pair of Shoes two Shirts two pair of Stockings a Felt hat and a Hanckercheif & a wollen Cap they alſo Agreed to allow Mr Coollidge 4s/8 pr week for Boarding Sd Samuel till further orders— — — — — — —

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Lt Daniel Whitney on Fryday the Nineteenth Day of Febry AD 1762.

They agreed upon a Town Meeting to be on Monday the first Day of March next at Nine of the Clock before noon at the publick Meeting Houſe And Directed the Clerk to Issue out warrants to the Several Conſtables to warn the freeholders & other Inhabitants who are Quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at time Place afore s^d^ for the ends fowllowing (Viz) —

(1)

[218] (1) To Chooſe a Moderator for Said Meeting (2) To Chooſe Selectmen a Town Clerk Treaſurer and all other town officers Required by law to be Choſe in the month of march annually (3) To Chooſe a Saxton and agree how he Shall be paid for his Service (4) To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer (5) To know the minde of the town whether Swine Shall Run at large the enſueing Year—To Chooſe a Com^tt^ to Examin the Treaſurers accounts and paſs any Votes thereon they may think proper (7) For the town to Appropiate the Intereſt money Comeing to them the preſent Year the year begining the eleventh Day of December last past (8) To Grant a Salary for the Revd Mr Seth Storer for the Year Enſueing the Year begining the first Day of March Next (9) To Grant money for the Support of the School (10) To Grant money for the Support of the poor (11) To Grant money for Repairing the Great Bridge (12) To Hear the accounts of thoſe perſons the town is Indebted to and grant money to pay the Same (13) To Grant money to Repair the High-ways & town-ways if the town think proper. And to Chooſe the Surveyors Collectors of the High-way Rate and Determin the price of Labour in working out said Rate (14) To hear the pleas of the preſent or any of the late Conſtables for Abateing any perticular perſons Rate & for the town to act their pleaſure thereon (15) To Hear the Petition of a Number of the Inhabitants praying the town to give Liberty to make alterations in the hind Seats in the Gallary in the Meeting-houſe as Settforth in their Petition and for the town to act their pleaſure thereon (16) To Hear the petition of ye wid^o^ Murch praying the town to Grant her a Small peice of land to accomedate her Houſe as the town may think proper (17) To Hear the Report of the Committe on the affair of the work-Houſe and for the town to make Some further grant of money to hire a Suitable Houſe or to Build one for that purpose or do any thing on the affair they may think proper (18) To hear the Petition of Joseph Harrington Guardian to Henry Learned praying the town to take into Conſideration the Circumſtances of s^d^ Henry as Sett forth in s^d^ petition and for the town to act their pleaſure thereon (19) To know the minde of the town whether they will bear any part of the Charge of Supporting Jonas Learned wife and Children or whether Thomas Learned Shall be oblidged to do the whole as he is liable to by

Law and for the town to act any thing on the affair they may think proper. (20) To Hear and take into Conſideration the petition of the Second precinct in in Cambridge preferred to the General Court (a Copy whereof the Selectmen have been Served with) praying that Some

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[219] part of Watertown may be annexed to them and for the town to do any thing or things they may think proper You are Likewiſe to order the Conſtables to notify the perſons to whome the town is Indebted to bring in their accounts to the Selectmen at the Houſe of the wid° Mary Learned on Fryday the Twenty Sixth Day of February Currant in order to there being laid before the town. And to Notify the Surveyors of High-ways who have not made up their accounts to bring in their accounts to the Selectmen at s^d time and place—

at this meeting they ordered the Clerk to Issue out warrants to warn Josiah Stone with abigail his wife & Four Children (Viz) Abigail Elizabeth Josiah & Rachal out of town and Jeruſha Fuller who came last from Newton about September last and Jonathan Scoot who Came last from Roxbury in the County of Suffolk about September last and Sarah Kendal who Came last from Waltham about September last their Circumſtances being Such that the Selectmen Refuſe to Receive them to be Inhabitants N B Josiah Stone & Famaly last from Lexington in April Last —Warrants ware Issued out accordingly J Brown T C

The Selectmen Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay m^r Nathaniel Stone one pound Twelve Shillings 3/1 farthing for Cloathing which the Selectmen procured for the wid° Lydia Warrin

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Fryday the 26 Day of Feb^ry 1762 at the houſe of the wid° mary Learned — — — — — — m^r Samuel^ll Soden one of the late Surveyors of High ways Informed the Selectmen that he had worked out his Highway Rate which they Accepted— — — — — — — — — — — — — — At this meeting they Signed on order on the Treaſurer to pay the Several Perſons the Several Sums Sett to their names agreable to their accounts which they gave into the Selectmen (Viz)

To Jonas White for Boarding and Cloathing Joseph Stearns one Year: — — — — — — —	22 : 2 : 3
To Jonas Bearned for Boarding Mary Coollidge to the 26 of Feb^ry — — — — — — — —	4 : 13 : 7
To Simon Coollidge for Boarding the wid° Warrin 21 weeks — — — — — — — — — — —	7 : 2 : 6
To Nathl Coollidge Junr for Boarding Sam^ll Coollidge till the first Day of March Next and for a Cap and a pair of Stockings — — —	2 : 16 : 1 : 2

To Lt Daniel Whitney for keeping Jonas Learneds wife and Children — — — — — 0 : 14 : 8 : 0
To Jonathan Child for Jonas Learneds wife and Children — — — — — — — — — — — 5 : 8 : 5 —
To Samuel Child for Jonas Learneds Child— 3 : 11 : 2 : 2
To Joseph Coollidge for Boarding the wid^{o} Maddox till the Twenty Seventh Day of February Next — — — — — — — — — — 10 : 4 : 0 —
To m^{r} Marſhal Spring for keeping the School three months 13 : 6 : 8 —
To m^{r} Samuel Cotton for keeping the School three Months: 13 : 6 : 8

And

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And To Mr Samuel Whitney for work at the Highways & Town ways — — — — — 6 : 7 : 8 : 3
To Mr Oliver Livermore for work at Said ways — — — — — — — — — — — — — — 6 : 14 : 10 —
To Capt Nathaniel Coollidge for taking the Invoice in May — — — — — — — — — — 1 : 6 : 0 —
To m^{r} John Kemball for taking said Invoice— 1 : 4 — 0 —
To Jon^{a} Brown for taking Said Invoice — — 2 : 8 — 0 —
alſo Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay Lt Daniel Whitney the Sum of five pounds twelve Shillings & 7/2 for Labour don by Several perſons at the Great Bridge
Likewiſe at this Meeting the town Creditors brought in their accounts to the Selectmen in order to their being lay'd before the town which are as follows (Viz)— —
To Dr Josiah Convers for Delivering Jonas Learneds wife : 2 : 13 : 4
To Lt Daniel Whitney for Cash paid to Joseph Welſh for mending the Schoolhouſe Glaſs— 0 : 8 : 4 : 3
To John Hunt Esqr for Houſe Rent an other Neſcesrys for the french Family — — — 19 : 16 : 0
To Joseph Whitney for Six large Stones for a Bridge 0 : 3 : 4
To Simon Whitney for Stones for the bridge by Sangers 1 : 0 : 8 —
To Jonas Barned for Sundrys for Mary Coollidge 1 : 9 : 4 : 3
To George Adams for Setting Mary Preiſts arm 0 : 4 : 0 —
To Cornelius Waldo for powder & ball for Wm White and John Warrin when going on the alarm in 1757 : 0 : 6 : 6 —
To Jon^{a} Brown for Serving Treaſurer & aſseſsor the Year past — — — — — 3 : 9 : 4 —
To Sam^{ll} and Jonas Barned for Rocks for two Bridges — 0 : 10 : 0 —

To Jonas Bond Junr for Serving Conſtable &c—	1 : 0 : 0 —
To Nath^{ll} Harrington for like Service — —	0 : 9 : 0 —
To David Bemis for like Service — —	0 : 9 : 0 —
To Capt Nath^{ll} Coollidge for Serving aſseſsor the Year past— — — — — — — — — — — — —	0 : 16 : 0
To m^{r} John Kemball for Like Service — — —	0 : 16 : 0
	33 : 10 :11 : 2

[221] At a Gen^{ll} Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallify'd to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled and Meet at the publick Meeting Houſe in s^{d} town on Monday the first day of March AD 1762 for the Choiſe of Town officers and Tranſacting other Town affairs as Mentioned in the warrant— — — — —

Voted & Choſe Jonas Bond Esqr Moderator for s^{d} meeting

Voted & Choſe for Selectmen
- Jonas Bond Esqr
- Lt Daniel Whitney
- Capt Edward Harrington
- Mr Jon^{a} Child
- Mr Nathl Stone

Voted & Choſe for Town Clerk Capt Jon^{a} Brown who was Sworn at this time by John Hunt J Peace

Voted & Choſe for Town Treasure Capt. Jon^{a} Brown

Voted & Choſe for aſseſsors
- Mr John Kemball
- Capt Jon^{a} Brown
- M^{r} Moſes Stone

Voted & Choſe for Conſtables
- Mr Benjn Felton
- Mr Thomas Harrington

Voted & Choſe for Wardens
- Mr Jon^{a} Stone
- Mr John Cook

Voted & Choſe Sealer of Leather Isaac Sanderſon

Voted & Choſe fence Veiwers
- Mr Nathan Coollidge
- Mr David Bemis

Voted & Choſe Surveyors of High ways — — — — — —
- Mr Daniel Sawin
- Mr Jon^{a} Bemis Junr

Voted & Choſe Tythingmen
- Mr Joseph Coollidge
- Mr John Stearns

Voted & Choſe Hogreives—
- Mr Sam^{ll} Jeniſon Junr
- Mr David Coollidge Junr

Voted & Choſe Deerreives
- Mr Cornelius Waldo
- Mr Jedidiah Leath

Voted & Choſe Surveyors of Timber Planck &c—
- Mr Jonas Coollidge
- Mr Bez^{ll} Learned

Voted & Choſe Howards — — —
- Mr Sam^{ll} Nutting
- Mr Edward Harrington

Voted & Choſe Clerk of the Market Mr Cornelius Waldo

Voted Gager of Cask Mr Samuel Cook

Voted & Choſe Cullars of Hoops & Staves { Mr Saml Cook / Mr Smith Prentice }

Voted & Choſe for Saxton m^{r} Simon Haſtings

Voted to pay the Saxton by two Contrebutions as Uſual

[222] Voted that Swine Shall Run at large the preſent Year under the Regulation of the law — — — — — — —

Voted to Chooſe a Committe to Examin the Treaſurs accounts and that they make Report at the adjournment of this meeting

Voted & Choſe a Committe for s^{d} affair { Dea Samuel Fisk / Mr Nath^{ll} Harrington / Mr John Kemball }

Voted to appropriate the Interest money Comeing to the town as it was last Year (Viz) five Shillings & eight pence to the School and the Remainder to the Miniſter — — — — —

Voted & Granted the Sum of 66 : 13 : 4 a Salary for the Revd Mr Seth Storer the enſueing Year the Interest money appropriated to that uſe to be part of Said Sum — — — — —

Voted & Granted the Sum of 40 pounds to Support ye School

Voted & Granted the Sum of 80 pounds to Support ye Poor

Then the Nineteenth Article was Read and after long Debate thereon the Queſtion was put whether the town will do any thing towards the Support of Jonas Learneds Family and it past in the Negative— — —

Then the Question was put whether it be ye mind of the town to adjourn this Meeting with the Remaining buſineſs till To morrow at twelve of the Clock at this place

and it paſt in the affeirmative

Then the moderator Declared it was accordingly adjourn'd

At a Gen^{ll} Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown at the publick meeting Houſe in s^{d} town on Tuesday the Second Day march AD 1762 By Adjour^{t}- the meeting being Opened the town proceed on the Eleventh article and

Voted & Granted the Sum of Six pounds to Repair the great Bridge—

Then the accounts of thoſe perſons to whome the town is Indebted were Read to the town and accepted by the town (Except Eleven pounds Sixteen Shillings in John Hunt Esq^{rs} and Jonas Barneds for Extraordinaries for Mary Coollidge) and the Sum Twenty pounds five Shillings & 6/3 farthings was Voted & Grated to pay the Same— — — — —

Then the Com^{tt}- on the Treaſurers accounts gave in their Report which was Read to the town and

the Vote was put whether the town do accept of this Report and that it be Recorded
and it past in the affeirmative— — —

And

[223] And is as follows (Viz)

We the Subscribers Appointed by the Town to Examin the Town Treafurers Acc^{tts}- Upon Examination find Said Acc^{ts}- well Vouch't and Right Cast

Sam^{ll} Fisk
Watertown March : 2^{d}. 1762 Nathl Harrington
John Kemball—

Voted to mend the High-ways by a Rate the prefent Year
Voted and Granted the Sum of £40 pounds to Repair s^{d} ways
Voted & Chofe the Surveyors of the High ways Collectors of the Highway Rate— — — — — — — — —
Voted that the Price in working out Said Highway Rate be the Same it was in the Year 1760— — — — —
Voted to abate the wid^{o} Phebe Jackfons Rates in Conftable Nathniel Harringtons lists and Granted the Sum of 3 *s* : 11 *d* — 3 *q* farthings to make it good — — — — —
Then the petition of Jon^{a} Learned Junr and others was Read to the town Relating to the Seats in the Meeting houfe and the Vote was put whether it be the mind of ye town So far to grant the prayer of Said petition as that the Said alterations be made at the Charge of the town and that the Difpotion of the Seats be as the town Shall think Proper—and it past in the affeirmative
Voted that the prefent Selectmen be a Com^{tt} to manage s^{d} affair
Then the wid^{o} Murchs Request laid before the town and the Town Voted that the Selectmen lay out a peice of Land (as they proper) for the Said wid^{o} Murch to Improve During the towns pleafure—
The Seventeenth Eighteenth and Twentieth articles not being past upon a Motion was made & Seconded and put to Vote whether it be the minde of the town to put of thefe articles to May meeting Next
and it past in the affirmative
Voted to Reconfider the Vote Relating to Swine——
Then the Moderator Defolv'd the Meeting

[224] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of the Wid^{o} Mary Learned on Tuefday the Second Day of March AD 1762 for the Swareing the Town officers four of the Selectmen took the oath Relating to other Governments Bill

(Viz) { Jonas Bond Esqr
Lt Daniel Whitney Sworn p^{r} J Brown T Clerk
Capt Edward Harrington
Mr Jon^{a} Child
Mr Nathl Stone }

Jonathan Brown the oths of Treafure & afsefsor
John Kemball and Mofes Stone the } oath of afsefsors
Benjn Felton & Thomas Harrington ye oath of Conftable
Jonathan Stone & John Cook the oath of Warden
David Bemis ye oath of fenceveiwer
Daniel Sawin ye oaths of Surveyor of Highways & Collector
Joseph Coollidge & John Stearns the oath of Tythingmen
Sam^{ll} Jenifon Junr the oath of Hoogreive
Cornelius Waldo & Jedidiah Leath the oath of Deerreives
Jonas Coollidge & Bezaleel Learned the oath of Surveyors of Timber
Edward Harrington Junr the oath of Howard
Cornelius Waldo the oath of Clerk of the Market
Samuel Cook & Smith Prentice the oath of Cullars of Hoops Staves &c . . . .

The above Named perfons ware all Sworn before
John Hunt Justice Peace

Watertown March : 9 : 1762

Le^{t} Daniel Whitney took the Money oath Required by law to Quallifie him to Serve as Selectman & Isaac Sanderfon took the oath of Sealer of Leather Nathan Coollidge took the oath of Fence Veiwer— — —

Sworn p^{r} Jon^{a} Brown Town Clerk

[225] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of the wid^{o} Mary Learned on Tuesday the Ninth Day of march A D. 1762 for puting out the poor They Agreed that m^{r} Joseph Coollidge Should Board Samuel Coollidge at 4/1 p^{r} week and the wid^{o} Maddox at 4/1 p^{r} week till further orders — — — — —
They agreed with m^{r} Jonas White to keep Joseph Stearnes for the prefent— — — — — — —
They agreed with James Berned to Board mary Coollidg till further orders at 13/6 pence p^{r} week — — — — —
And they agreed with m^{r} Simon Coollidge to keep the wid^{o} Warrin at Six Shillings & eight pence p^{r} week for the prefent—

They alfo agreed to have a Town Meeting on Monday next at one of ye Clock afternoon at the publick Meeting Houfe and ordered the Clerk to Issue out warrants to warn the Inhabitants to meet at time and place afore Said to act on the following Articles (Viz) (1) To Choofe a Moderator for Said Meeting

(2) To hear the Report of the Committe on the affair of the work houſe and for the town to grant a Sum of money to hire a Suitable houſe or Build one for that purpose, and for the town to act any thing on the affair they may think proper (3) To hear and take into Conſideration the Petition of ye Second precinct in Cambridge prefered to the General Court (a Copy whereof the Selectmen have been Served with) Praying that Some part of Watertown may be annexed to them and for the town to act any thing or things on the affair they may think proper—

(4) To know the minde of the town whether Swine Shall Run at Large the preſent Year—

Warrants were Issued out accordingly

Attest Jon^a^ Brown Town Clerk

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the fifteenth day of March AD 1762 at the publick meeting houſe
they being Informed that one Mary Stearns was Come to Dwell at the Houſe of Jonas Bond Esqr who Came last from Charlstown about the month of June last past and one Ruhamah Wellington Come to Dwell in town and Reſides at the Houſe of Ebenezer Maſon She Came last from Weſton in the month of April Last past their Circumſtances being Such that the Selectmen Refuſe to admitt them to be Inhabitants of Watertown and ordered the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant to warn them out of town which was accordingly Don

attest J Brown Town Cler—

[226] At Said Meeting they ordered the Clerk to write to Thomas Learned of Deadham to acquaint him that unleſs he Came and took Care of Jonas Learneds wife and Children and pay what Charge the Town had bin at they Should take the Steps of the law in y^t^ Case provided

At a General Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in Town affairs Regulerly aſsembled at the publick Meetinghouſe in Said town on Monday the fifteenth Day of March AD 1762 for Tranſacting the affairs Sett forth in ye Warrant
Voted & Choſe Capt- Jonathan Brown Moderator for s^d^ Meeting
The Second article was Read and after long Debate thereon
1 the Queſton was put whether the Town will Build a Work houſe the preſent Year and it past in the Negative
Put to Vote Whether the town will act any thing further on this article and it past in the Negative
Then the third article was Read relating to Cambridge Second precincts petition together with Said petition and after Conſideration thereon the Question was put whether it the mind of the

town that any part thereof be annexed to Said precinct and it past in the Negative

Voted & Chofe Jonas Bond Esqr Mr Nathaniel Harrington and Mr Samuel Fisk to be a Committe to make anfwer to the great and General Court in the name of the town to s^{d} Petition of the Second precinct in Cambridge—

The fourth article was Read and the Question was put whether it be the mind of the town Swine may Run at Learge the prefent Year and it past in the affirmative

The Buifinefs of the Meting being over it was Difolved

[227] To the Selectmen

Gentlemen

afsefsors Certificate

This may Certify that we the Subscribers have afsest the Rateable poles & Estates in S^{d} town the Sum of fourty pounds and have Committed lists of s^{d} afsefsment to the Several Surveyors who are alfo Collectors of the High-way Rate (Viz)
To Jonathan Bemis Ju^{r} the Sum of — 21 : 0 : 0
and to Daniel Sawin the Sum of — — 19 : 0 : 0
with Lawfull warrants to levy & Collect the same or See it worked out agreable to the Vote of the town So as to make up their accounts with Your Selves at on or before the last Day of November Next

Watertown March : 16 : 1762

John Kemball
Jon^{a} Brown
Mofes Stone
afsefsors for Watertown

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the third Day of May AD 1762 at the Houfe of the wid^{o} Mary Learned—

They agreed with Jonas Bearned to keep Mary Coollidge for two pifterens p^{r} week till further orders—

This being the Year for Preambulating the lines between towns they Appointed mifs^{rs} Jonathan Child and Nathaniel Stone to go on Said Service, Next Monday at eight of the Clock in the morning with Cambridge, at twelve of the Clock at noon with Waltham, and at four of the Clock afternoon with Newton and ordered the Clerk to Notify the Selectmen of Said towns which was accordingly don the Next Day p^{r} J Brown T Cler — —

They Likewife ordered the Clerk to give out a warrant to one of ye Conftables to warn Elizabeth Livermore to Depart out of Watertown who came into town about the month of August last who came last from Cambridge and Refides at the Houfe of Nehemiah Mafon Which was Accordingly Done and the war-

rant was given to Conſtable Thomas Harrington—the Service was done and the Caution was Entered at may Seſsion

Attest Jon^a Brown T C —

at this Meeting they agreed with m^r Jonas Bearnard to keep Mary Coollidge for two piſtareens p^r week till further orders —

[228] At Said Meeting the Selectmen having Rec^d a Precept Requiring them to aſsemble the Inhabitants of Watertown who are Qullifeed to Vote in the Choiſe of a Repreſentative In obſervance whereof they Ordered the Clerk to Issue out warrants to the Conſtables Requiring them to warn the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in the Choiſe of Repreſentative to Aſsemble and Meet together at the Publick Meeting Houſe in Said town on Monday the Seventeenth Day of may at one of the Clock afternoon Then & there to Elect and Depute one Suitable Perſon to Serve for & Repreſent them in a Great & general Court or aſsembly appointed to be held and keept for his Majesty's Service at the Court Houſe in Boston on Wedneſday the Twenty Sixth day of May Currant—And Likewiſe to order the Conſtables to warn the freeholders and other Inhabitants who are Quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at two of the Clock the Same Day at the Same place for the Ends following (Viz)—
First to Chooſe a Moderator for s^d Meeting
(2ly) To Hear the Petition of Joseph Harrington Guardian to Henry Learned praying the town to take into Conſideration the Circumſtances of s^d Henry as Settforth in Said petition and for the town to act their pleaſure thereon (3ly) To know the minde of the town they will Purchaſe the Remainder of the two acres of land Belonging to the Heirs of Nathaniel Harris Esqr Late of Watertown (if it may be had) Where the Meeting houſe Stands for Publick Uſes and for the town to act any thing on the affair they may think proper—(4ly) For the town to add to or take from the lists of Jurymen as they may think proper—
5ly To Hear the pleas of any of the Late Conſtables for abateing any Perticuler Rates in their lists and for the town to act any thing on the affair they may think proper—

Which was accordingly Don bareing Date the 7 Day

J Brown T Cler —

[229] At a Gen^ll Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallify'd to Vote in the Choiſe of a Repreſentative Regularly aſsembled at the publick Meeting Houſe in S^d town on Monday the Seventeenth Day of may AD 1762
The Votes ware Called for and were Sorted and Counted

and it appeared that Lt Daniel Whitney was Chofen to Repre-fent the town at the Great and general Court appointed to be Conven'd held and keept for his Majesty's Service at the Court Houfe in Boston upon Wednefday the Twenty Sixth Day of may Currant — —

At a Gen^{ll} Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallify'd to Vote in town affairs Regularly afsembled at the publick meeting Houfe in s^{d} town on Monday the Seventeenth Day of May 1762 for Tranfacting the bufinefs as Settforth in the warrants — — —
Voted and Chofe Capt Jonathan Brown Moderator for s^{d} Meeting—
The Second article was Read Relating to m^{r} Joseph Harringtons Petition and s^{d} Harrington Informed the town that he was not Ready and that article was Difmift
Then the third article was Read and after long Debate thereon It was put to Vote whether the town will Choofe a Committe to Treat with the Heirs of Nathaniel Harris Esqr Deceaf^{t} to Se whether they will Sell the Remainder of the two acres of land to the town and for what Sum and Report to the town at their next Meeting and it past in the Negative—
Then ye fourth article was Read together with the list of Jurymen and they Voted that mifs^{r} Thomas Saftmarfhs Samuel Hagers & William Godings Names be taken out of the Box's Voted that mifs^{urs} John Sawin David Bemis, James Dix, Simon Whitney, Ebenezer Stone Juner, Thomas Harrington, Edward Richardfon, Jonathan Bemis Junr, & Daniel Bonds be put into the Superior Box And that Mofes Hager, Daniel Edds, Thomas Rufsell, Daniel Byles, Robert Learned, Elifha Learned, John Chenery, James Vila & Jonathan Coollidge Goding be put into the Inferior Box
The fifth article Read but no Conftables made any Pleas for abatements So the article Dropt
and the Meeting was Difolved—

[230] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of the wid^{o} Mary Learned on the : 8 Day of July AD 1762

They Rec^{d} an account of m^{r} Nathaniel Stone for Clothing which he procured for Samuel Coollidge amounting to two pounds two Shillings and Eleven pence three farthings and Signed an order on ye Treafurer for the payment of the Same at this meeting Nath^{ll} Coollidge Notify'd the Selectmen that he had Rec'd into his houfe a Negro woman Named Lois Barda. And Mr Nathaniel Stone Informed that he had Taken into his Family the wid^{o} Lydia Warrin and that She Came last Fryday and that he will keep her for 6/ p^{r} week for the prefent and m^{r} Jonas Berned

Informed the Selectmen that Mary Coollidge was in want of Some Cloathing and they agreed that s^d^ Berned Should procure two Shifts two Caps one peticoat one pair of Stockings and git her Shoes mended

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of ye wid^o^ Mary Learned on Wedensday the 25th Day of August AD 1762 The Selectmen haveing Received a List of ye Perſons Licenced the Last Year (Viz) Thomas Saltmarſh and Mary Learned Inholders John Hunt Esqr Cornelius Waldo John Remington & Hannah Livermore Retailers which perſons the Selectmen approve of their haveing their Licences Renewed for the Preſent Year — — — — —

At the Selectmens Meeting on the 8 day of July AD. 1762 Miſs^urs^ Jonathan Child & Nathaniel Stone made Verbal Report that they had Meet with the Select-men of ye adjacent towns and Renew'd the Bounds betwen Watertown and the adjacent towns

[231] At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham at the Houſe of m^r^ Richard Cutting in Waltham on the 31st Day of august AD 1762 The Accounts of ye Charge of ye Great Bridge over Charles River in Watertown Since the last Adjustments were this Day Proportioned and Adjusted Betwen the three Towns See the acc^tts^. at Large Signed By ye Selectmen of Each town Entered Lib : 2 Page (63) in the Treaſury — — — — — — — —
At this Meeting the Selectmen ordered the Clerk to write an order in their Name to the Selectmen of Weston to pay Jonas Harrington Five pounds Nine Shillings & five pence which is in full of what is Due to him for the planck which he brought to the Bridge— — which was Accordingly done the Same day
Signed Jon^a^ Brown Town Clerk

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the Second Day of Novr 1762 at ye Houſe of m^r^ Nathl Stone They agreed that Lt Daniel Whitney & Capt Edward Harrington were Deſired to Repair the School-Houſe in Such a Manner as they think Neſsacery — —
They being Informed that one John Draper & Ann his wife and their Child Ann were Come to Dwell in Watertown who Came last from Roxbury in ye County of Suffolk in ye month of April or May last And Josiah Stearnes who Came last from Weſtminſter in ye County of Worceſter in Feb^ry^ last And Jane Nutting & her two Children (Viz) Mary & Charls who Came last from Needham in ye County of Suffolk about the months of March or April last past and Jaſon Bathrick who Came last from Cambridge in ye County of Midd^x^ in ye month of

august last past And Elizabeth Bond who Came last From Λ sd Cambridge in the month of last past And John Stratton & his wife Mary & their four Children who Came last from Said Cambridge about the month of March or April last past alſo Lois Berdu who Came last from Lexington in ye County of Middllx. in ye month of last past the Circumſtances of them being Such the Select-men Refuſe to Accept them to be Inhabitants of Watertown and ordered the Clerk to Issue out warrants Directed to ye Conſtables to warn them out of Town which was Accordingly Don and the Service don and ye Cautions entered at Decr: Seſsions

Attest J. Brown Town Clerk

[232] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on Monday ye 22 Day of Novr: AD 1762 at ye Houſe of ye Wido Mary Learned

They Agreed that mr Isaac Sanderſon Should Board ye Wido Maddox who Came to his Houſe ye Tenth Day of October last till further Orders and have four Shillings pr week therefor—

They Signed Orders on the Treaſurer to pay David Coollidge ye Sum Sixteen Shillings & one penney two farthings for things procured for Saml Coollidge Likewiſe to pay Nathl Stone 0 : 19 : 3 : 2 for Cloathing wh. he procured for ye Wido Warrin Alſo an Order to pay ye Town Creditors ye Sum of 20 : 4 : 6 : 3 farthings which was Granted them Last March Meeting—

They alſo agreed to have a Genl Town Meeting on Monday the Sixth Day of December Next at ye Publick meeting Houſe at one of ye Clock afternoon for ye ends following (Viz)

(1) To Chooſe a Moderator for sd Meeting (2) To hear what has been done Relating to ye Charge which has ariſen to the Town by Jonas Learned wife and Children and for ye Town to act any thing on the affair they may think proper (3) Upon the Request of Capt John Brown to know whether the town will allow him Interest for the money which is due to him for his Pew from ye time he offer'd it to the town and for the Town to Act any thing on the affair they think proper (4) To know whether the Town will abate any Perticuler Perſons Rates in any of ye Late Conſtables lists and to act any thing on ye affair they may think Proper—

(5) To know whether the Town will allow any of ye Late Conſtables any pay for their Services who have not Received any thing there for (6) To know the minde of ye Town whether they will Sell a Small peice or Slip of Land Near ye wido Murches Houſe which belongs to the town and to act any thing on the affair they may think proper—

And Ordered the Clerk to Issue out warrants Directed to ye

Conſtables to warn the Inhabitants to meet at the time and Place for ye Ends afore Said which was accordingly Don
attest Jon^a^ Brown Town Clerk

[233] At a Gen^ll^ Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to vote in town affairs Reguarly Meet at the Publick Meeting-Houſe in s^d^ Town on Monday the Sixth Day of Dec^r^: AD 1762—

Voted and Choſe Jon^a^ Brown Moderator for s^d^ Meeting

2 article Read and after Debate thereon the Vote was Put if it be the mind of the Town that If the wid^o^ Mary Learned Shall pay one Half of what Charge the town has been at for the Support of Jonas Learneds wife and Children that the Treaſurer upon Receipt thereof Shall give her and Thomas Learned a Diſcharge in full for the time past and it past in the affiermative—

Put to Vote whether it be the minde of the town to allow Capt. John Brown Intereſt on the money that is Due to him for his pew and it past in the affirmative

The 4 article was Read but none of the Conſtables ask't to have any perſons Rates abated and So it Dropt

The fifth Article Read & James Dix aſked for Six pounds for his Services as Conſtable. And the Vote was Put whether the town will allow his ye Said Six pounds
and it Past in the Negative—

The Sixth article Read and the Vote Was Put Whether it be the minde of the town to Sell the peice of land Near the wid^o^ Murches Houſe & that the Selectmen be Impowered to Sell the Same if they think proper—
and it Past in the Affirmative

The buiſineſs being over the Meeting was Diſolved—

[234] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of ye wid^o^ Mary Learned on the : 17 : Day January AD 1763— They Signed on Order on the Town Treaſurer to pay the Revd Mr Seth Storer : 66 : 13 : 4 which was Greanted for his Sallary for the Year 1762— They being informed that m^r^ Jonas Harrington Junr of Weſton was not paid for ye Plank which he brought to the great Bridge for which they had given an order on the Selectmen of Weſton they Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay said Harrington the Sum of 5 : 9 : 5 which is in full of what is due to him They alſo Signed an order to pay m^r^ Marſhall Spring our Preſent Schoolmaſter the Sum of Sixteen Pounds in part of his wages for Keeping School in Watertown—

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at ye Houſe of the wid^o^ Mary Learned on Monday the 21 day of Feb^ry^ Anno Domini 1763 They ware Informed that there was one George Allen and Hannah his wife & their two Children (Viz) George and Abigail who Came last from Waltham about the month of may last and

Refide at the houfe of Andrew White And one Lydia Wyre who came last from s^d^ Waltham about the Same time and Refides at the Houfe of William Bond Their Circumftances being Such that the Select-men Refufe to accept them to be Inhabitants of Watertown Therefore they ordered the Clerk to Issue out warrants to warn them out of Town which was accordly done and the Service was don and the warrants Returned the Cautions entered at March Court—

Att Jon^a^ Brown Cler—

At this meeting they Signed an order on the Treafurer to pay m^r^ Jonathan Child Two pounds two Shillings & d1/2 which he has Expended on the poor Alfo Two pounds thirteen Shillings and four pence for Nurfing Jonas Learneds Child to m^r^ Samuel Child—

[235] And at this meeting they agreed to have the annual Town Meeting on the Seventh day of march Next at the Publick Meeting Houfe at Nine of the Clock in the forenoon and Directed the Clerk to Issue out warrants Directed to the Conftables to warn the freeholders & other Inhabitants who are Quallified to Vote in Town affairs to Meet at time and place afores^d^ for the ends following—(Viz) (1) To Choofe a Moderator for said meeting (2) To Choofe Selectmen Town Clerk Treafurer and all other town officers Required by law to be Chofe in the month of march annually (3) To Choofe a Saxton and agree how he Shall be paid for his Service (4) To put in their Votes for a County Treafurer (5) To know whether Swine Shall Run at Large the Enfueing Year (6) To Choofe a Com^tt^. to Examin ye Treafurers accounts and to pafs any Votes on them they may think proper (7) For the town to appropriate the Intereft money Comeing to them the prefent Year ye Year begining the eleventh day of December last past (8) To Grant a Sallary for the Revd Mr Seth Storer for ye Year enfueing ye Year begining the first day of march Next (9) To Grant money for ye Support of the School (10) To Grant money for the Support of the poor (11) To Grant money for Repairing the Great Bridge (12) To hear the accounts of thofe perfons the town is Indebted to and Grant money to pay the Same (13) To Grant money to Repair the High-ways and Town-ways if the Town think proper and to Choofe the Surveyors Collectors of the Highway Rate & Determin the price of labour in working out Said Rate (14) To hear the Pleas of any of the prefent or late Conftables for abateing any perticular Perfons Rates in their lists and for the town to act their pleafure thereon (15) To Here the Report of ye Com^tt^. that were Chofen to Sell a Small peice of Land Near the wid^o^ Murches houfe and for the Town to Act any thing on the affair they may think proper (16)

To know the minde of the town whether they will Choofe a Committe to Petition the great & General Court for Liberty to Sell ye Wid^o^. Lydia Warrins thirds to be laid out for her Support (17) To know the minde of the town whether they will Sell a Small peice of land Near John & Phinehas Stearnes Houfe and for ye Town to act any thing on the affair they may think proper

Likewife to Notify ye Town Creditors to bring in their accounts to the Selectmen at the wid^o^ mary Learneds houfe on Fryday the fourth day of March Next at one of ye Clock afternoon

Warrants were Issued out accordingly dated ye 22 Day of Feb^ry^- 1763

Att Jon^a^ Brown Town Cler

[236] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Wido Mary Learneds on Fryday the fourth day of march 1763 the perfons whih kept the Poor brought in their accounts to the Selectmen which are as follows (Viz) Nathaniel Stone for Boarding the wid^o^ Lydia Warrin from ye Second Day of July last to ye fourth day of march 1763 which is thirty five weeks at Six Shillings P^r^

	£	s	d
week which Comes to — — — —	10	10	0
and for two Tythingmens Stalfs — — — —	0	2	8
	10	12	8
And Simon Coollidge brought an account for Boarding s^d^ Warrin 17 weeks at 6/8 P week which comes to — — — — — — —	5	16	10
and Joseph Coollidge brought his acc^tt^. for Boarding ye wid^o^ Maddox fifteen weeks at 4/^s^ P^r^ week — — — — — —	3	0	0
And Isaac Sanderfon for Boarding s^d^ wid^o^ maddox 21 weeks at 4/1 P^r^ week & for three pair of Shoes for ye Poor — — — — — — — —	5	1	4
And Jonas Bearned for Boarding mary Coollidge to ye fourth Day of March 1763 and other things — — — — — —	7 : 16	8	2
And David Coollidge for Boarding Samuel Coollidge and other things to ye fourth of march 1763 — — — — — —	14	12	8
Alfo Jonas White brought in his last Account for what he has don for Joseph Stearnes Decs^t^	12	2	1
Likewife John Cook brought in his account for Labour at the Great Bridge Since ye Adjustment w^h^. was y^e^. 31 of August last	1 : 3	8	1
	60 : 5	11	3

All which accounts ye Selectmen allow'd and Signed an Order on the Treafurer for the Payment of the Same—

At this meeting ye Selectmen were Informed that there was one Thaddeus Haftings Come to Dwell in Watertown at ye Houfe of John Kemball who Came last from Lexington in the month of April last past his Circumftances being Such that ye Selectmen Refufe to accept him to be an Inhabitant of Watertown therefore ordered the Clerk to Issue out a warrant to one of the Conftables to warn him out of town which was accordingly done and given to Conftable Thomas Harrington who Did the Service and made Return & the Caution was Entered at march Court

Att J. Brown Town Cler

[237] At this meeting the following accounts were brought to the Selectmen in order to their being laid before ye Town (Viz)

To Ebenezer Stone Junr for Serving Conftable—	0 : 14 : 0 :
To Edmund Fowle for Service as Conftable—	6 : 5 : 8
To Simon Coollidge for 3 days Labour at ye School houfe—	0 : 10 : 9 : 3
To Thomas Clark for Stones for a Bridge—	0 : 12 : 0 —
To John Kemball for Serveing Afsefsor— —	0 : 16 : 0 —
To Mofes Stone for like Service — —	0 : 16 : 0 —
To Jonathan Brown for Serving Treaf^r^ & afsefsor— — — — — — — —	3 : 15 : 4 —
To John Hunt Esqr for Nefsacerys for ye french— — — — — — — — — —	18 : 13 : 2
To Sam^ll^ Danforth for medicine & attendance on ye french — — — — — — — —	18 : 13 : 2 —
To Jonas Bearned for Nefsacerys for Mary Coollidge — — — — —	0 : 10 : 7 —
To Lt Daniel Whitney for houfe Rent for ye french	2 : 0 : 0
To Jon^a^ Learned Junr for Labour at ye School houfe — —	0 : 14 : 0 —
To Jedidiah Leath for Irons for Schoolhoufe	0 : 7 : 6
To Enf^n^ Jon^a^ Bemis for Stones for a Bridge	0 : 5 : 4
To Simon Whitney for Serving Conftable — —	0 : 16 : 0 —
To Richard Clark for Like Service — — — —	0 : 11 : 0 —
Total	39 : 8 : 4 : 3

[238] At a Genl Town Meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly Afsembled and meet at the Publick Meeting-houfe in s^d^ Town on Monday ye Seventh Day of March Anno Domini 1763 for ye Choife of town officers and Tranfacting other affairs Mentioned in ye Warrants—

Voted & Choſe Mr Nath^{ll} Stone Moderator for s^{d} Meeting—

Voted and Choſe for Select-men
- Mr Nath^{ll} Stone
- Mr Nathl Harrington—
- Mr John Kemball
- Mr Jon^{a} Child—
- M^{r} Moſes Stone

Voted & Choſe for Town Clerk Capt Jon^{a} Brown

Voted & Choſe for Town Treaſ^{r} Capt Jon^{a} Brown

Voted and Choſe for Aſseſsors—
- Mr John Kemball
- Capt Jon^{a} Brown
- M^{r} Moſes Stone

Voted & Choſe for Conſtables—
- Mr Thomas Clark
- Mr Nath^{ll} Coollidge Juner

Who Informed ye town that they had agreed with m^{r} Jonathan Stone to Serve for ye whole town if they would accept him in their Room who Voted and accepted s^{d} Stone to be Conſtable in their Stead

Voted and Choſe for Wardens—
- Mr Samuel White
- Mr Cornelius Waldo

Voted and Choſe for Sealer of Leather Mr Isaac Sanderſon

Voted & Choſe for fence-Veiuers—
- Mr Jon^{a} Stone
- Mr Sam^{ll} Sanger

Voted and Choſe for Surveyor of Highways
- Mr David Bemis
- Mr Ebenezer Maſon

Voted and Choſe for Tythingmen
- Mr John Sawin
- Mr Richard Clark

Voted & Choſe for Hogreives—
- Mr David Coollidge Junr
- Mr John Chenery

Voted & Choſe for Deerreives—
- Mr Thos Pattin
- Mr Eben^{r} Studſon

Voted & Choſe for Surveyors of Timber Plank &c—
- Mr Jonas Coollidge
- Mr Bez^{ll} Learned

Voted and Choſe for Howards—
- Mr Thos Learned
- Mr John Chenery

Voted & Choſe for Clerks of ye Market
- Mr Benjn Felton
- Mr Jedidiah Leath

Voted & Choſe for Gager of Cask Mr Sam^{ll} Cook

Voted

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Voted & Choſe for Cullars of Hoop & Staves—
- Mr Smith Prentice
- Mr Saml Cook

Voted & Choſe for Surveyor of Wheat Lt Daniel Whitney—

Voted & Choſe for Saxton Mr Simon Haſtings—

Voted to pay ye Saxton by two Contrebutions as Uſual

Voted that Swine Shall Run at large the preſent Year Under the Regulation of the law as in that Case provided—

Voted & Chofe for a Comtt. to Examin ye Treafurers accounts { Mr Nathl Harrington, Mr John Kemball, Mr Samll White }

Voted to appropriate ye Interest money Comeing to the town as it was last Year (Viz) five Shillings & eight pence to the School and ye Rest to the minifter— —

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Voted and Granted the Sum of 66 : 13 : 4 for a Salary for ye Revd. Mr Seth Storer the enfueing Year the Intereft money appropriated to that ufe to be part of that Sum ye Rest to be afsest — —

Voted & Granted 40/ pounds for ye Support of the School — —

Voted & Granted 34/ pounds for ye Support of the Poor — —

Then the Accounts of thofe Perfons the Town is Indebted to was Read and accepted onely mr Edmund Fowles for Collecting the Meeting-Houfe Rate in the Year 1754 And John Hunts Esqr which alfo was not allow'd And Voted and Granted the

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Sum of 15 : 5 : 2 : 3 to Sattiffy them which were allow'd mr Fowls which was not allow'd was £ 5/10 the town being Informed that John Hunt Esqr had been allow'd his account by the Province & that mr Smith Prentice had Drawn it out of the Province Treafury Some time Since, the following Votes were past (Viz) first Voted to Choofe a Committe to examin into the affair — — —

Voted & Chofe for Said Committe— — { Captt Jona Brown, Mr Mofes Stone, Lt Daniel Whitney }

Voted & Impowered Said Committe to Demand and Receive of Mr Smith Prentice (if it appears that he has Received it) and pay it to John Hunt Esqr and if mr Prentice Refufes or Neglects to pay ye Same then Sue him for in behalf of the town—

Voted & Granted ye Sum of 30 pounds to mend the High ways this Year.

Voted & Chofe ye Surveyors of ye high-ways Collectors of ye High-way Rate

Voted that the Price of Labour in working out sd Rate be the Same it was the last Year—

[240] Voted & abated Benjamin Harris's Pole Tax in Conftable Simon Whitneys lists and Granted the Sum of 0:16:10:2 to make it good

Voted & abated Joseph Curtices Rate in Conftable Fowls lists and Granted the Sum of 0 : 8 : 2 : 3 to mke it good

alfo Voted and abated Sables Tax's in Said Fowles lists and Granted the Sum of 0 : 4 : 8 : 3 to make it good—

Then the Report of ye Comtt. that ware Chofen to Sell a Peice of Land Near the wido Murches Houfe was Read to the

town And the Vote was put whether it be ye minde of the town to accept of Said Report and that it be Recorded and it

past in the affirmative

Voted & Choſe the Selectmen to be a Com^tt^. to Stake out Said Peice of land— — — — — See below — — — — —

Put to Vote whether it be the minde of the town to Chooſe a Com^tt^. to Petition the General Court for Liberty to Sell the Wid^o^ Warrins thirds and it past in the Negative—

Put to Vote whether the town will Sell any land Near John & Phinehas Stearnes Houſe and it

past in ye Negative—

The Buiſneſs of ye Meeting being over ye Moderator Declared it was Diſsolv'd — — — — —

Watertown March : 7 : 1763

The Report of the Committe y^t^ were appointed by the town to Vew and Conſider what is proper for the town to do Relating to ye Selling or Diſposing of a Small Slip or peice of land Near ye Wid^o^ Murches Houſe Report as followith (Viz) that they have attended that Service and have been on ye Spot and find that s^d^ land is but of Very Small Contents and as it lays betwen two large Contr^e^y Roads and Runs of to a very Small point for theſe Reaſons we Apprehend that it will be a greater Damage to the Publick and the Neighbourhood by heaveing s^d^ land Sold & fenced in than ye Profits and Effects that may Come to the town by the Sale thereof we are therefore of oppinion that it is not prudent or adviſable for the town to Diſpoſe of Said land by Selling and the Committe Do further — — — —

Report

[241] Report that in as much as ye wid^o^ Murch has by the leave of the Town Erected a Small Houſe on the Norwest Corner of s^d^ land and has by her Induſtery Subſisted her Self So that She has not been Chargable to ye Town for Years past we are of Oppinion that in anſwer to her late Requeſt to the town that there be a Small peice of land Sett of to s^d^ wid^o^ Near her houſe for a Garden Spot and for laying her firewood &c and to be of the following Contents (Viz) Meaſureing four Rods from m^r^ Daniel Sawins South Corner & four Rods and four Rods from his North Corner leaveing ye North High-way three Rods wide and the South four Rods and Said land to be for the Uſe and Improvement of ye Said Suſanah Murch During her Natural life or So long as She Reſides or Dwells in Watertown and then to Revert to Said Town—

Jonas Bond
Daniel Whitney
Edward Harrington } Com^tt^.
Jonathan Child
Nathl Stone

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of ye Wid^o^ Mary Learned on Fryday the 11th: Day of March AD 1763 for Swareing Town officers four of ye Selectmen took the oath Relating to other Gov^ts^- Bills (Viz)
Miſsu^rs^ Nathaniel Stone Nathaniel Harrington Jonathan Child & Moſes Stone
Jonathan Brown ye oaths of Town Clerk Town Treaſurer & aſseſsor & Moſes Stone ye oath of aſseſsor. Jonathan Stone ye oath of Conſtable
Samuel White and Cornelius Waldo the oath of Wardens — —
Isaac Sanderſon ye oath of Sealer of Leather Jonathan Stone & Sam^ll^. Sanger ye oath of fence Veiuers, John Sawin & Richard Clark ye oath of Tything-men John Chenery & David Coollidge Junr the oath of Hogreives
David Bemis & Ebenezer Maſon ye oaths of Surveyors of Highways & Collecttors
Bezaleel Learned the oath of Surveyor of Timber &c
John Chenery & Thomas Learned ye oath of Howards—
Ebenezer Studſon & Thomas Pattin the oath of Deerreives
Samuel Cook ye oath of Culler Hoops & Staves &c—
Benjamin Felton & Jedidiah Leath Clerks of the Market
all Sworn By John Hunt Justice Peace—

[242] Watertown March : 21 : 1763 m^r^ John Kemball after takeing the oath Relating to other Goverments Bills took the oath of an Aſseſsor
Sworn by Jon^a^ Brown Town Clerk

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of ye Wid^o^ Mary Learned on the fourth Day of April AD 1763
The Selectmen agreed that the Surveyors Deſtricts Should be as they were last year (Se the (169) Page of this Book) and that ye Clerk give them to the Surveyors, Agreed that m^r^ Benjamin Felton be Deſired to take Care of the great Bridge the preſent Year, Agreed that m^r^ Daniel Sawin make a Gate for the Burying Yard and Bring in his account to ye Town Agreed that Mr Simon Coollidge Should Board and take Care of ye wid^o^ Lydia Warrin one Year ye Year to begin Next Fryday & to have five Shillings & Seven pence half penney p^r^ week for ye Same— Agreed that m^r^ Joseph Wellington of Cambridge take Samuel Coollidge and Board him the Enſuing Year and that he have 3/4 pence p^r^ week for the Same Agreed that m^r^ Jonas Bearned Board Mary Coollidge the Year enfuing at one piſtereen p^r^ week — — Agreed that m^r^ Thomas Learned Board the wid^o^ Maddox the year enfuing and have 24/6 pence old Tenor p^r^ week for ye Same—
At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^ Moses Stone on Monday y^e^: 11 Day of April AD 1763—
They agreed that m^r^ Moses Stone provide two Shirts for

Samuel Coollidge—They ordered the Town Treaſurer to Provide Scales and weights Suitable to weigh Bread & pay for them out of ye Treaſury

They Agreed that m^r^. Marſhall Spring keep the School till may meeting Next The Selectmen being Notified that Richard Clark had taken one Elizabeth Mullet in to his houſe who Came Last from Charlstown the :29 : Day of Novr. Last past her Circumſtances being Such that ye Selectmen Refuſe to admit her to be an Inhabitant of Watertown they therefore ordered ye Clerk to Issue out a warrant to ye Conſtable to warn her out of Town—

[243] To ye Selectmen

Gen^ll^

This may Certify that we ye Subscribers have aſsest ye Rateable Pools & Estates in Watertown the Sum of Thirty Pounds and have Committed lists of Said aſseſsment to ye Several Surveyors who are alſo Collectors of the High-way Rate (Viz)—

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aſsesſors Certificate	To David Bemis the Sum of — — —	£15 :	12	—
	And to Ebenezer Maſon the Sum of —	14 :	8	—
		30 :	0	

with Lawfull warrants to Levy and Collect the Same or See it worked out agreable to the Vote of the town So as to make up their accounts with your Selves at on or before the first Day of February Next—

Watertown March y^e^: 21: 1763 John Kemball, Jon^a^ Brown, Moſes Stone } aſseſsors for Watertown

At a Meeting of ye Select-men at the Houſe of ye Wid^o^ Mary Learned on Monday the Second Day of May Anno Domini 1763 They haveing Received a Precept from ye High-Sherif of ye County Requiring them to Aſsemble the Inhabitants of Watertown Who are Quallified to vote in the Choiſe of a Repreſentative In Obſervance wherof they ordered the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant to ye Conſtable Requiring him to warn the Inhabitants of Said town who are Quallified to Vote in the Choiſe of a Repreſentative to aſsemble and Meet together at the Publick Meeting-Houſe in ye Said town on Monday the Ninth Day of May Currant at one of ye Clock Then & there to Elect a Suitable Perſon to Serve for and Repreſent them in a Great and General Court or aſsembly appointed to be held and kept for His Majesty's Service at the Court Houſe in Boston upon Wedenſday the Twenty fifth Day of May Currant

And

[244] And Likewiſe to warn the freeholders and other

Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to meet at two of ye Clock afternoon on Said Ninth Day of may for ye Ends following (Viz)
(1) To Choofe a Moderator for S^d^ meeting
(2) To Hear the Report of the Committe that were Chofen at march Meeting Last to Examin the treafurers accounts and to pafs any Votes on the Same they may think Proper—
(3) To know the minde of the town whether they will Choofe any more Surveyors of Timber &c — — — —
(4) To Hear the Petition of William Bond and others Praying the town to grant them Proper Seats where they may Sitt by them Selves for the Reafons Settforth in Said Petition — —
(5) To know the minde of the town whether they will employ Mr Marfhal Spring to keep the School the Remaining part of the Year if he is willing to keep the Same—
(6) To know the minde of the town whether they will abate any Perticular Perfons Rates in any of the Late Conftables hands
(7) To Hear the Report of the Committe that were Chofen to Examin into John Hunt Esq^rs^ & m^r^ Smith Prentices affair Relating to the money which was Supposed Said Prentice had Received out of the Province Treafury Relating to the french family and for the Town to act any thing on the affair they may think proper — —

A Warrant was Issue'd out accordingly
Attest Jon^a^ Brown Town-Cler

At the above Said Meeting the Selectmen being Informed by Mr Joseph Wellington that Samuel Coollidge was very much Difordered and Defired that they would take him from his Houfe and m^r^ David Coollidge being Prefent they agreed with him to take and keep S^d^ Samuel Coollidge for the Prefent at ye Rate of eight Shillings p^r^ week

[245] At a Gen^ll^ Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in ye Choice of a Reprefentative Regularly Afsembled at the Publick Meeting-Houfe in s^d^ Town on Monday ye Ninth Day of May Anno Domini 1763
The Major Part of the Selectmen being Prefent the Votes were Called for and were brought in Sorted and Counted and it appeared that Lt Daniel Whitney was Chofen to Reprefent the Town at the Great and General Court or Afsembly Appointed to be held and kept at the Court Houfe in Boston on Wedensday ye 25th. Day of May Currant

At a Gen^ll^ Town Meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly afsembled & meet at ye Publick Meeting Houfe

in s^d town on monday the Ninth day of May AD. 1763 for the ends Settforth in the warrant
Voted and Choſe Mr Nathaniel Stone Moderator for s^d meeting meeting
The Report of ye Committe was Read and the town Voted and accepted s^d Report and that it be Reccorded — — — —
Then the third article was Read and Put to Vote whether the town will Chooſe one or more Surveyors of Timber &c — — and it Paſt in the affirmative — — — — —
Voted and Choſe m^r Nathaniel Coollidge Junr Surveyor of Timber &c
Then Petition of William Bond & others was Read & after Debate thereon and the Vote was Put Whether ye Town will allow ye Petitioners the First Second & third Seats in the Side Gallary During the Towns Pleaſure and it Past in the affirmative—
the fifth Article was Read and after Debate thereon the Vote was Put Whether the town will act any thing on s^d article and it Past in the Negative
Sixth article Read and the town Voted to abate ye two last Years Tax to ye miniſter in Mr James Bayleys Rates if he give the town a Diſcharge in full for the time Past— — —
Then the Seventh article was Read and after Debate there on the town Voted to add two more to the Committe
Voted and Choſe m^r Nathaniel Harrington & m^r Samuel Fisk to be of s^d Commit^t-
Voted that they further Examin into S^d affair and Report at the Next town Meeting — — —
the Buſineſs being over ye Meeting was Diſolv^d — — — —

[246] The Report of ye Committe on ye Treaſurers accounts—
We the Subscribers Appointed by the town to Examin the Town Treaſurers accounts Upon Examination find Said accompts well a Vouch't and Right Cast — — —
Watertown March y^e: 29: 1763

Nathl Harrington
John Kemball
Sam^ll White
} Committe

Watertown May y^e: 9 : 1763
This Day Nathaniel Coollidge Junr was Sworn to the faithfull Diſcharge of the office of Meaſurer of Timber &c—
By me Jon^a Brown Town Clerk

At a Meeting of ye Select-men on Wedenſday: ye Eleventh Day of May Anno Domini 1763 at the Houſe or Mr John Kemball

They agreed that mr Marſhall Spring keep ye School till further Orders at ye Same Rate as he did the last Year and that mr Nathaniel Harrington be Deſired to Inform him thereof

They alſo agreed that the Clerk Sign and order on the Selectmen of Weston to pay Josiah Manſſeild for the Plank which he brought to ye Great Bridge as Soon as he has Squared the Sides and got them Survey'd

June ye: 20: 1763 I Signed an order on ye Selectmen of Weston to pay Josiah Manſſeild two pounds Eleven Shillings & two pence one farthing for 256 feet of Plank which he brot. to ye Great Bridge in Watertown

Att Jona Brown Town-Clerk

[247] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of ye wido Mary Learned on ye: 27 Day of June Anno Domini 1763 Some accounts were brot. in from Capt Edward Harrington & Lt Daniel Whitney and others for Meterials and Labour at Mr Storers Houſe and ye Schoolhouſe and at the Great Bridge which ammounted to Sixteen Pounds three Shillings & nine pence three farthings which the Selectmen Signed an order on ye Treaſurer for the payment thereof—

Mr David Coollidge informed ye Selectmen that Samuel Coollidge Remain'd Still Diſordered and that he will keep him for the Preſent Under his preſent Circumſtances at the Rate of 6/8d Pr Week and when he Shall be in better Circumſtances he will lower his Price as ye Selectmen Shall think Reſonable

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of Jona Brown on ye: 4 Day of July Anno Domini 1763 They Settled the aſsize of Bread in ye following Maner (Viz)

	lb	oz	dr
Of ye White Penny Loaf	:	7	2
Wheaten .	:	10	11
Houſehold . . .		14	4
Two Penny Loaf . . .		14	4
Wheaten	1	5	6
Houshold .	1	12	8
	lb	oz	dr
Six Penny Loaf	4	0	3
Houſhold — —	5	5	9
Twelve Penny Wheaten	8	0	5
Houſhold —	10	11	2
4d Brick Loaf	1	9	8

Computed at Wheat at Six Shillings & two pence Pr Bushel and four pence Pr Bushel allow'd to ye Baker for his Charges Pains & Livelyhood, And ye Bakers in this town are Ordered to Mark ye Bread which Bake for Sale with ye first Letter of their Christian Names & with ye first & last Letters their Sir Names—

	lb	oz	dr
N B. 7 Bisket must weigh	1 :	12 :	8
a 4d Crown Loaf ¾ Wheat & ¼ Rye meal must weigh—	2 :	10 :	12

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of mr Thomas Learned on ye 24 Day of August AD 1763 They Put out Ruth Maddox to mr Isaac Sanderſon for three Shillings & Six pence one farthing Pr week

[248] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of the wido- Mary Learned on Monday ye 22 day of August anno Domini 1763
The Selectmen haveing Received a list of ye Perſons Licenced ye last year (Viz) mr Thomas Saltmarſh & mrs Mary Learned Inholders and John Hunt Esqr. Cornelius Waldo John Remington and Hannah Livermore Retailors which Perſons ye Selectmen approve of their haveing their Licences Renewed ye Preſent Year—They alſo Approbated Miſsurs- Jonas White and Nathll Coollidge Junr to be Retailors and accordingly Reccommened them as Suitable perſons for Such an Imployment
They alſo Stated ye aſsize of Bread as it was ye last month See Page—(247)—
At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham at the Houſe of mr Wm. Goodhue Inholder in Waltham on Wedensday the 31 day of August AD 1763 the Charge (which had ariſen Since ye last adjustmen which was august 31 : AD 1762) of Repairing ye great Bridge which ammounted to

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£ 4 :	0 :	10 :	2

was Proportioned & adjusted and Signed by ye Selectmen of ye three towns. See Libr. 2 Page ye (63) in the Treaſury—
At this Meeting ye Selectmen ordered ye Clerk to Issue out a Warrant to the Conſtable to warn Josiah Bisco out of town who Came last from Woodſtock in ye Colony of Conneiticut to Reſide at the Houſe of Ebenezer Maſon which was accordingly Done.
Attest J. Brown Town Cler

[249] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of ye Wido Mary Learned on ye Sixth Day of Octr AD 1763
They Put out Samuel Coollidge to mr Joseph Coollidge at all Adventuers till after Next March Meeting (Docters Excepted) for four Shillings pr week
They alſo Put out Ruth Maddox to mr Daniel Sawin for one month at ye Rate of two pence Pr week
At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of mr Nathaniel Harrington on ye Eleventh Day of Octr AD 1763—

The Selectmen Agreed that mr Moſes Stone Procure Samll Coollidge a good Strong Jacket & a Pair of Leather Breeches and

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Signed an order on ye Treaſurer to pay mr Stone ye Sum of 1 : 12 —to Provide sd things with—and Said Stone Brot. in an account for things which he Procur'd for said Coollidg before ammount-

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ing to 17/4 which they ordered the Treaſurer to pay They Likewiſe Deſired mr Stone to procure the wido Lydia Warrin a Pair of Shifts for which they gave the Treaſurer an order to mr Stone

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They Agreed that ye Aſsize of Bread be Stated at Wheat at

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5/2 pr Buſhel for ye Preſent month and allow'd the Baker four pence pr Buſhel for Bakeing

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on ye fifth Day of Decr: 1763— at the Houſe of ye Wido Mary Learned — —

They Signed on Order on the Treaſurer to pay Mr Jonathan Child 0 :1 : 7 : 2 farthings for a pair of Stockings which he Bot. for Samuel Coollidge and to pay Mr John Cook ye Sum of

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1 : 0 : 1 : 2 farthing which was Due to him for Service at the Great Bridge in the Year 1762 they agreed that mr Nathll Harrington Provide what things he Shall think Neſsacery for Mary Coollidge

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[250] Alſo agreed that mr Moses Stone Provide what things is Neſsacery for Samuel Coollidge — — — —

They Directed ye Town Clerk to take Advice of mr Trowbridge what is Proper to be done with Ephraim Warrin to Prevent his Spending his Estate they being Informed that there was one Mary Jones Come to Dwell with Jonas Berned who Came last from Weston in February last alſo one Elnathan Whitney Come to Dwell with Stephen Harris who Came last from Waltham about ye Second day of may last their Circumſtances being Such that they ordered the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant Directed to the Conſtable to warn them out of town

They Appointed to Meet again on Tuesday Next at mr Moſes Stones—

A Warrant was Issued out & given to the Conſtable to warn out the above Sd Perſons the Service was done and ye Warrant Returned & ye Cautions Entered at Decr. Court

Attest J. Brown T. C—

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of ye Wido Mary Learned on ye Sixteenth day of January: AD 1764 —

They Signed an Order on the Treafurer to pay the town Creditors the Sum of £15 : 5 : 2 : 3 farthings which was Granted to them the last march Meeting They ordered the town Treafurer to take money out of the Treafury & Procure a Load of Wood & Send it to the french Family—

At this meeting the accounts of Sundry perfons Relating to the Indian woman which died at the wid° Parry's ammounting to the Sum of £4 : 4 : 8 were Bro^t^. in which the Selectmen Directed the Clerk to Draw up & Sign and Send to the Govenor & Council for allownce— — —

They Stated the afsize of Bread at Wheat 5^s^/6 Pr Bufhel & 4^d^/ Pr Bufhel was allow'd the Bakers for their Livelyhood &c—

[251] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houfe of m^r^ Nathl Stone on Monday y^e^: 13 Day of Feb^ry^ Anno Domini 1764— They Directed the Clerk to Issue out a warrant Directed to the Conftable to warn a Gen^ll^ town Meeting to be on Monday the fifth day of March Next at Nine of the Clock in ye forenoon at the publick Meeting-Houfe for the Ends following (Viz)

First to Choofe a Moderator for s^d^ Meeting (2) To Choofe Selectmen a Town-Clerk & Treafurer and all other town officers Required by Law to be Chofe in ye Month of March annually (3) To Chofe a Saxton and agree how he Shall be paid for his Service (4) To put in their Votes for a County Treafury (5) To know ye minde of the town Whether Swine Shall Run at Large ye Enfueing year (6) To Choofe a Comm^tt^. to Examin the Treafurers accounts & to pafs any votes on them they may think proper (7) For the town to appropriate the Intereft money Coming to them ye prefent Year ye Year begining ye Eleventh day of December Last past (8) To Grant a Sallary for ye Rev^d^ m^r^ Seth Storer for ye year Enfueing the year Begining ye First day of March Next (9) To grant money for the Support of the School (10) To grant money for the Support of ye poor (11) To grant money for Repairing the great Bridge (12) To Hear the Accounts of thofe perfons the town is Indebted to & grant money to pay the Same (13) To grant money to Repair the High-ways & Town-ways if ye town think proper and to Choofe the Surveyors Collectors of ye High-way Rate And Determin the price of Labour in working out s^d^ Rate (14) To Hear ye Pleas of ye prefent or late Conftables for abateing any perticular Perfons Rates in their Lists & for ye Town to act their pleafure Thereon (15) To know the minde of the town whether they will Choofe a Committe to Confirm a Deed which was given to Richard King in ye Year 1742 which was Signed by the towns Com^tt^. but was Never Acknowledged And the Comm^tt^.

being Since all Dead but one and for the town to act their pleafure thereon (16) To know the minde of the town whether they will purchafe the Two acres of Land (So Called) of Stephen Harris if they Can agree upon a price Said land to be Improved for Such Ufes's as the town Shall think proper and for the town to act any thing on the affair they may think proper—

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[252] (17) For the town to Hear the Report of the Committe that were Chofen last year to Examin into the affair of m^r^ Smith Prentice & John Hunt Esqr on account of its being Supposed that s^d^ Prentice had Taken money out of ye Province Treafury which belonged to m^r^ Hunt And for the town to act any thing further on the affair they may think proper—Likewife to Notify ye Town Creditors to bring in their accounts to ye Selectmen at the Houfe of ye wid^o^ Mary Learned on Thursday the first Day of March Next at Two of the Clock in the afternoon—

A Warrant was Issued out Accordingly Dated ye Same Day
Attest Jon^a^ Brown Town Clerk

At this Meeting ye Selectmen Signed an order on the Treafurer to pay ye Rev^d^ m^r^ Seth Storer ye Sum of 66 : 13 : 4 Which was Granted for His Sallary for ye prefent year alfo ye Sum of Nineteen Shillings & one penny to m^r^ Moses Stone which he Expended on Cloathing for Sam^ll^ Coollidge & the Wid^o^ Warrin & the Sum of Twenty pounds to m^r^ Marfhal Spring in part for keeping the School ye prefent Year And the Sum of Six Shillings to L^t^. Daniel Whitney for Labour at ye School-Houfe the last Year which was omitted before — — — — — —

They Agreed that m^r^ Moses Stone procure Sam^ll^ Coollidge a pair of Stockings & a Shirt and bring in his accou^tt^- at their Next Meeting Alfo agreed that m^r^ John Kemball procure one Bufhel of Rie & one Bufhel of Indian Meal for Sam^ll^ Mafons wife and a Load of wood if he thinks it Needfull, They ordered ye Clerk write an order on ye Selectmen of Wefton to pay m^r^ Jonas Harrington Junr the Sum of 2 : 18 : 5 : 1 for 292 feet of plank which he Bro^t^. to the great Bridge —

[253] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on ye first Day of March Anno Domini 1764 at the Houfe of the wid^o^ Mary Learned The Perfons which kept the poor Bro^t^. in their accounts to the Selectmen which are as follows (Viz)

Mr Nathaniel Stone bro^t^. in an account for Boarding the wid^o^ Lydia Warrin from y^e^ 4 Day of March 1763 to y^e^ 8 day of April following & for footing a pair of Stockings — — — — 1=10=0

Alfo Mr Mofes Stone Bro^t^. in an account of Sundry things which he procured for Samuel Coollidge which Come to . . . .
0 : 12 : 2 : 2

And m^r Nathaniel Harrington bro^t. in an account for things which he Bought for Mary Coollidge and a Lock for y^e Shool houſe. 0 : 14 : 6 : 1

Likewiſe m^r Simon Coollidge Bro^t. in an account for Boarding ye Wid^o Lydia Warrin from April ye eight 1763 to march ye 4 : 1764 it it being 47 weeks at 5/7 : 2 farthing P^r week . . . . . 13 : 4 : 4 : 2

and for a Hankercheif 9/2*q* & for Mending Cloaths & Nurſing in Sickneſs 6/ 0 : 6 : 9 : 2

Total— 13 : 11 : 2 : 0

And m^r David Coollidge bro^t. in an account for what he had done for Samuel Coollidge which Comes to . . . . 10 : 13 : 9—

And Mr Isaac Sanderſon Bro^t. in an account of what he had Boarded the wid^o Mary Maddox and her Daughter Ruth & for a pair of Shoes for Sam^ll Coollidge & a pair for Mary Coollidge ye whole— 2 : 10 : 10 : 1

And Joseph Coollidge Bro^t. in an account for Boarding Samuel Coollidge from ye 25 Day of Octr. 1763 to Feb^ry. y^e 28: 1764 it being Eighteen Weeks at 4/1 p^r week and footing a pair of Stocking 3 : 13 : 0

Thomas Learned Bro^t in an acc^tt. for Boarding y^e wid^o Mary Maddox from April y^e : 4 : 1763 to Feb^ry. y^e. 29. 1764 being 47 weeks. at 24/6 p^r week old Tenor which makes 57 : 11=6 in L M it is 7 : 13 : 6 : 2

And Jonas Bearned bro^t. in his acc^tt. for Boarding Mary Coollidge from March y^e 4 day 1763 to Feb^ry. 27 : 1764 it being Fifty one Weeks at 9/1 P^r week and for Tobacco 25/ Shillings old Tenor Which Sums in Lawfull money is —3 : 4 : 6 : 2

Likewiſe m^r Joseph Wellington bro^t. in an acc^tt for Boarding Sam^ll Coollidg two weeks at 6/8 P^r week . . . . 0 : 13 : 4

The Selectmen Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay theſe account ammountting to ye Sum of —44 : 17 : 9

[254] At Said Meeting ye Selectmen being Informed that one Anna Cox was Come to Dwell in Watertown at ye Houſe of Samuel Sanger Who Came last from Waltham into town on ye fourteenth Day of June Last past Alſo y^t a Child was at ye Houſe of Samuel Warrin Which Came Last from Boſton in ye County of Suffolk about the Seventh Day of June last past which Child is known By the Name of Rebecca Hill, And one Suſanna Newton who Came last from South-borough in ye County of Worceſter the Ninteenth Day of July Last past to Dwell at ye Houſe of m^r Samuel Jeniſon jun^r their Circumſtances being Such that the Selectmen Refuſe to accept them to be Inhabitants of Watertown they ordered ye Clerk to Issue out a

Warrant Directed to ye Conſtable to warn them out of town A Warrant was Issue'd out accordingly and ye Service don ye Warrant Returned and Caution Entered march Court

Att^t^ Jon^a^ Brown Town Clerk

The following Accounts were Received by y^e^ Selectmen from Such perſons as y^e^ Town is Indebted in order to their being laid Before y^e^ Town (Viz)

To Lt Daniel Whitney for Houſe Room for y^e^ french family:	2 : 13=4
to Simon Haſtings for Labour &c on y^e^ miniſterial place — — — — —	0 : 5=0
to Nathan Coollidge for Stones for a Bridge—	0 = 9=0
to Thomas Learned for Boarding Ruth Maddox—	1 : 4=0
to Benjn Felton for Labour & Meterials at y^e^ Great Bridge	1 : 2 : 6
to Daniel Sawin for a gate for y^e^ Burying place & Stones for a Bridge—	0 : 8 : 0
to Daniel Bond for Cash paid Doc^tr^. Beals for mary Preist — —	0 : 10 : 4
to Jon^a^ Brown for Service as Treaſurer & aſseſsor last Year:	3 : 9 : 4
to John Kemball for Serving aſseſsor & a Lock for Saml Coollidge.	0 : 17 : 9 : 3
to Moſes Stone for Serving aſseſsor ye Year past	0 : 16 : 0
	11 : 15 : 3 : 3
To Nehemiah Maſon for Serving Conſtable &c—	1 : 2 : 0 : 0
To Capt Edward Harrington for Stones for a Bridge	0 : 4 :—
To Isaac Sanderſon for Serveing Conſtable — — —	0 : 10 :—
	13 : 11 : 3 : 3

the three Last added at town Meeting — — —

[255] At a Genr^ll^ Town Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabtan^ts^ of Watertown Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled & Meet at ye Publick Meeting-Houſe in s^d^ Town on Monday the fifth Day of March Ann. Domini 1764 for the Choiſe of town officers & Tranſacting other affairs Mentioned in ye Warrant

Voted & Choſe Mr Nathl Stone Moderator for Said Meeting

Voted & Choſe for Selectmen—
- Mr John Kemball
- Mr John Child
- Mr Nathl Stone
- Mr Nathl Harrington
- M^r^ Moſes Stone

Voted & Choſe Jon^{a} Brown Town Clerk
Voted & Choſe Jon^{a} Brown Town Treaſurer
Voted & Choſe for Aſſeſsors { Mr John Kemball, Jon^{a} Brown, M^{r} Moſes Stone }
Voted & Choſe for Conſtables m^{r} Joseph Child & m^{r} Daniel Bond who Informed ye Town that they had agreed with m^{r} Jon^{a} Stone to Serve in their Room if the town would accept him to Serve for both
Voted and accepted s^{d} Stone to Serve Conſtable
Voted & Choſe for Wardens m^{r} David Bemis & m^{r} Samuel Whitney
Voted & Choſe for Sealer of Leather m^{r} Isaac Sanderſon
Voted & Choſe for fence Viewers miſu^{rs} Oliver Livermore & Jonas White
Voted & Choſe Surveyors of High-ways miſ^{urs}. Richard Clark & W^{m}. Bond
Voted & Choſe Tything Men m^{r} John Chenery & m^{r} Eben^{r} Studſon
Voted & Choſe for Hogrieves miſs^{rs} James Vila & Sam^{ll} Benjamin
Voted & Choſe for Deerrieves miſs^{rs} Thomas Pattin & Jonas White
Voted & Choſe Surveyors of Timber &c miſs^{rs} Bez^{ll} Learned & Nathl Coollidge Ju^{r}
Voted & Choſe Howards Jon^{a} Coollidge Goding & Joseph Coollidge
Voted & Choſe Clerks of ye Market miſs^{rs}. Eben^{r} Studſon & Jonas White
Voted & Choſe Gager of Cask m^{r} John Kemball
Voted & Choſe for Cullars of Hoops & Staves &c { m^{r} Sam^{ll} Cook, m^{r} Bez^{l} Learned }
Voted & Choſe Surveyor of Wheat m^{r} Moſes Stone
Voted & Choſe Saxton m^{r} Simon Haſtings
Voted to pay ye Saxton by two Contrebutions as Uſual
Voted that Swine be Keept in this Year—

[256] Voted & Choſe for a Committe to Examin ye Treaſ^{r} acc^{tts}- { m^{r} John Kemball, m^{r} Moſes Stone, m^{r} Nathl Harrington }

Voted to appropriate ye Intereſt money Comeing to ye Town as it was last year (Viz) five Shillings & eight pence to ye School & ye Reſt to ye Miniſter — — — — — — — — —
Voted & Granted ye Sum of 66 : 13 : 4 for a Sallary for ye Revd Mr Seth Storer ye Enſueing Year ye Intereſt money appropriated to that Uſe to be part of s^{d} Sum ye Remainder to be aſsest
Voted & Granted for the Support of ye School. ye Sum of £30
Voted & Granted for ye Support of ye poor ye Sum of . . 50
Voted & Granted for Repairs of ye Great Bridge . . . 3

Voted & Granted to mend ye High-ways &c — — — 40
Voted & Choſe ye Surveyors of High-ways Collectors of s^d High-way Rate
Voted that the Price of Labour in working out s^d Rate be as it was last Year—
The accounts of thoſe perſons to whome ye Town Is Indebted were Read to ye Town and were all allowed but three Shillings in Nathan Coollidges & granted ye Sum of £13 : 8 : 3 : 3 to Sattiſſy the Same — — — — — —
Voted and abated In Conſtable Benjn Feltons Lists James Hays

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Rates & granted ye Sum of	1 :	1 :	1 :	1 :

to make it good alſo abated in Conſtable Jon^a Stones lists s^d James Hays Rates and Granted the Sum . 0 : 14 : 1 : 1 to make it good and abated in s^d Stones Lists W^m. Godings Rates and granted the Sum of —0 : 13 : 11 : 3 to make it good alſo abated in Conſtabl Nehemiah Maſons lists part of Samuel Maſons Rates and granted ye Sum of £1 : 11 : 3 : 1 to make it good. And abated in Conſtable Thomas Harringtons lists William Godings Rates & granted ye Sum of 0 : 18 : 8 : 1 to make it good
Then the Sixteenth article was Read and m^r Stephen Harris being preſent and the Question being asked him what he would take for the Land Mentioned in s^d article and Informed ye town y^t 35 pounds was what he would take and after Conſideration thereon it was put to Vote whether the town will give s^d Sum of £35 pounds for s^d land and it past in the

Negative

[257] Then a Motion was made & Seconded, and ye Vote was put Whether it is ye mind of ye Town to Chooſe a Com^tt. to Treat with m^r Stephen Harris further about Said Land and it past in the Negative—
Then the Seventeenth Article was Read and ye Com^tt Mentioned in Said article made Verbal Report that they had Received the Sum of 13 : 6 : 4 out of the Province Treaſury & Deliver'd it to the town Treaſurer for ye Uſe of John Hunt Esqr—
The Buſineſs of ye Meeting being over the Meeting was Diſsolv'd—
At a Meeting of ye Seleƈtmen at ye Houſe of ye wid^o Mary Learned on the Said fifth Day of March See Page y^e (255) after the Seleƈtmen with the other town officers which were Choſen to Serve ye town ye Enſueing Year had taken the Oath Relateing to other Gov^nts. Bills ye Several officers (Except m^r John Kemball as Gager of Cask) were Sworn to the faithfull Diſcharge of their Several Reſpective offices — — — — —

By John Hunt Justice Peace

And the Seleƈtmen appointed to Meet again on Monday Next

at this place at one of ye Clock afternoon in order to put out the poor for ye Year Enſueing—

[258] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of ye Wid^o^ Mary Learned on the . . 12 Day of March Anno Domini 1764—
In order to put out the poor for ye preſent Year—
The Selectmen Agreed with m^r^ Jonas Bearned to take Care of Mary Coollidge & Board her for one Year if She lives at the Rate of thirteen Shillings old Tenor Pr Week—Alſo with Mr Simon Coollidge to Board the Wid^o^ Lydia Warrin and take Care of her for one Year at the Rate of thirty four Shillings p^r^ Week old Tenor And with m^r^ Thomas Learned to Board the wid^o^ Mary Maddox one Year at the Rate of 24/6 old Tenor Pr Week
Likewiſe with m^r^ Jonathan Coollidge Goding to take Care of Samuel Coollidge and Board him one Year at the Rate of Thirty Seven Shillings & Six old Tenor p^r^ week—
And the Several Perſons are to be taken Care of as aboves^d^ without any further allowance let their Circumſtances be what they will (Except in Case of Sickneſs)—
And ye Selectmen at this Meeting Agreed with m^r^ Joseph Coollidge to take Care of & Board Ruth Maddox from this Day till may Meeting Next at the Rate of 4/6 old Tenor Pr Week leet her Circumſtances be what they will—
At this meeting the Selectmen Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay m^r^ John Mirick of Weston the Sum of 2 : 6 : 0 in full for 230 feet of planck which he Bro^t^. to the great Bridge. And the Sum of five Shillings to m^r^ Daniel Sawin for a pair of Shoes Which he procured for Ruth Maddox. And the Sum of
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£13 : 6 : 4 to John Hunt Esqr for What he Did for the french Family Which Sum was allow'd by the Govr. & Council & was Drawn out of ye Province Treaſury

[259] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of Jon^a^ Brown on Tueſday y^e^: 20 Day of March Anno Domini 1764
They gave ye Surveyors of ye High-ways their Diſtricts which are as follows Viz William Bond to mend the Weſterly Part of the Roads in Watertown from ye Meeting-Houſe over the Hill where the old Meeting-Houſe Stood, to Mr Kemball's Corner and ye lane from the School-Houſe to Waltham line near ye Houſe of m^r^ Nathl Harrington and all the South to Newton line Mr Richard Clark to mend the Easterly Part of ye Roads as follows (Viz) the Road Under the Rocks from m^r^ Joseph Harringtons to Samuel Warrins from thence to m^r^ Kemballs Corner afores^d^ and all the Roads east of ye Road that Leads over the Hill to the Meeting-Houſe to Cambridge line — —

at this Meeting the aſseſsors made Return of their Aſseſsing the High-way Rate which is as follows (Viz)

Gentlemen Watertown March : ye 20: 1764

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We the Subſcribers Aſseſsors have aſsest upon the Ratable Pools & Estates in Watertown the Sum of Forty Pounds ye Grant made ye last march Meeting for ye Repairing the High-ways & Town-ways & have Committed lists of ye Same to ye Several Collectors who are alſo Surveyos of ye High-ways (Viz)
To Mr William Bond the Sum of — 20 : 9 : 5
and to Mr Richard Clark ye Sum of— 19 : 10 : 7
With Warrants to Levy & Collect ye Same or to See that it be faithfully worked out agreable to the Vote of ye Town So as to make up their accounts with the Selectmen of s^d town on or before the first day of February Next Enſueing the Date Hereof—

To ye Selectmen—

John Kemball
Jon^a Brown
Moſes Stone

[260] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of the Wid^o Mary Learned on the 7. Day of May AD 1764—
They haveing Rec^d a precept from ye Sheriff of ye County of Midd^x Requiring them to Aſsemble ye Inhabitants of Watertown to Chooſe one or more perſons to Serve for & Repreſent them in a Great & General Court to be held at Concord on ye Thirtieth Day of this Inſtant May at Nine of the Clock in the forenoon in Obſervance Whereof they ordered the Clerk to Issue out a warrant Directed to the Conſtable to warn the Inhabitants who are Quallified to Vote in ye Choice of a Repreſentative to aſsemble at they Publick Meeting Houſe in S^d Town at two of the Clock afternoon for the purpose afforeSaid And for the Inhabitants who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to meet at S^d place at 3 of the Clock on Said Day for ye Ends following (Viz) — — (1) To Chooſe a Moderator for Said Meeting (2) To Hear ye Report of ye Committe that were Choſen at march meeting last to Examin the Treaſurers Accounts and for the town to paſs any Vote or Votes thereon they May think proper (3) For the town to paſs on Upon a list of Juriors that are to be layed before them by the Selectmen (4) To Hear the petition of a Number of the Inhabitants of the town praying the Town to grant them Liberty to Sitt in Some of the Seats in ye front Gallary for the Reaſons Settforth in S^d Petition (5) To know the minde of the town whether they will lay Open the way Down to the landing

Place Near the Islands and for the town to act any thing on the affair they may thing proper

A Warrant was Issued out Accordingly

attr Jona Brown Town Clerk

at this Meeting ye Selectmen Signed an order on ye Treasurer to pay mr Daniel Sawin three Shillings & Nine pence for Boarding Ruth Maddox — — — — — —

[261] At this Meeting mr Samuel White Sent in a Notification to ye Selectmen to Inform them that he had taken one Thaddeus Hastings & wife into his House who Came last from Lexington who Came into town the Second Day of this present may, Likewise mr Edward Richardson Sent a Notification to Inform them that he had Recd into his House one William Goding and Family who Came last from Wooburn on ye 17 Day of April last past at this Meeting the Selectmen ordered the Clerk to Issue a warrant to warn one Ruth Worthylake out of town Who Came Last from New London in the Colony of Connecticut in the Month of August or September last past

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Publick Meeting-House on the 14 Day of May AD 1764 the Clerk was ordered to give a warrant to the Constable to warn Benjamin Harris out of town

Warrants were Issued out agreable to ye above orders the Service done and Cautions Entered at may Court

Jona Brown Town Cler

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Publick Meeting-House on Monday ye 14 Day of May Anno Domini 1764—

They ordered the Clerk to Issue out a warrant to Warn one Ruth Worthylake out of Town who Came Last from New-London in the Colony of Conecticut about the Month of August or September last past

A Warrant was Issued out accordingly and ye Service $\frac{\text{don}}{\text{A}}$ and the Caution Entered at may Court

Pr. Jona Brown Town Clerk—

[262] A Genll Town Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Representative Regularly assembled at the publick Meeting-House in sd Town on Monday ye: 14 Day of may AD 1764

The Votes were Called for and Brot. in Sorted & Counted and it appeared that Lt. Daniel Whitney was Chosen to Represent ye Town in a Great & Genll Court appointed to be held and kept for His Majesty's Service at Concord on Wedensday the Thirtieth Day of this Instant may— — — — — —

At a Gen^{ll} Town Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the publick Meeting-Houſe in Said Town on Monday the 14th. Day of May AD. 1764
Voted & Chooſe m^{r} Nath^{ll} Stone Moderator for s^{d} Meeting
Voted to accept the Committes Report on ye Treaſurers Acc^{tts}. and that it be Reccorded
Voted & accepted the list of Juriors as Exhibited by the Selectmen
Then the Petition of a Number of the Inhabitants praying the town to grant to a Number of Young men & women Some Suitable Seats in the Meeting to accomodate them for Singing
after Conſideration thereon it was Voted that the men have Liberty to Sitt in ye Womens front Gallary from the Center to the South-East Corner during ye Towns pleaſure—
Likewiſe Voted to the women Singers ye Gallary from ye East Door to ye South-Eaſt Corner During the towns pleaſure—
Then it was put to Vote whether ye town will lay open ye way down to the Islands at this time It paſst in ye Negative
Put to Vote whether ye Town will act any thing further on the article and it past in ye Negative — —

[263] Watertown March 20th-: 1764
We the Subscribers appointed by the Town to Examine the Town Treaſures acc^{tts}- upon Examination finde Said acc^{tts}- well Voucht and Right Cast

John Kemball
Moſes Stone } Com^{tt}-
Nathl Harrington

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of ye Wid^{o}. Mary Learned on y^{e}: 25th. Day of May AD 1764—
They Stated ye Aſsize of Bread agreable to Wheat at 5/4^{d} P^{r} Buſhel & allow'd four pence P^{r} Buſhel to ye Bakers for their Livelihood &c — — — They Likewiſe Directed the Clerk to give an Order to Miſs^{rs}. Jonas White and Ebenezer Studſon to Receive the Towns Scales and Weights of the last years Clerk's of the Markets — — — — — — —
alſo agreed with m^{r} Marſhal Spring to keep ye School at the Same Rate that he did the last year till further Notice
And Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay him ye Sum of Twenty Pounds which is in full for His keeping the School the last Year — — — — — —

[264] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of ye Wid^{o} Mary Learned on ye 12 Day of July AD 1764—
They Ordered ye Clerk to Issue out a warrant Directed to the Conſtable to warn one Sarah Learned out of Town Who was

bro^{t}. from Charlstown last in ye month of June She being Under Very poor Circumſtances—which accordingly was don ye next day

Pr Jon^{a} Brown Town Cler—

At this Meeting they Signed on Order on ye Treaſurer to pay

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Nath^{ll} Stone	0 :	9 :	9 :	1.

for a Shirt which he procured for Samuel Coollidge—they alſo Settled ye Aſsize of of Bread at Wheat at 4/6 P^{r} Buſhel & Six pence P^{r} Buſhel allow'd to the Baker — — —

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of Mr Thomas Saltmarſh on ye 27: Day of August AD 1764—
The Selectmen Approbated m^{r} Thomas Saltmarſh m^{rs}. Mary Learned & m^{r} Edward Richardſon to be Inholders & John Hunt Esqr and Miſs^{rs}. John Remington Cornelius Waldo & Jonas White to be Retailors
at this meeting ye Selectmen being Informed that ye Wid^{o} Hannah Biglo was Came to Reſide at the Houſe of ye Wid^{o}. Elizabeth Brown who Came last from Waltham on ye Sixth Day of December last past her Circumſtances being Such that ye Selectmen ordered that if the Selectmen of Waltham do not give Security to Watertown on or before Monday Next that ye Clerk Issue out a Warrat to warn her own of town—They being Likewiſe Notified that Jonas White had Received into his Houſe one Betty Wellington & two Children (Viz) one Called Diadama ye other Called Jedidiah White who Came Last from Waltham about ye month of September last past their Circumſtances being Such y^{t} ye Selectmen ordered the Clerk Issue out a warrant to warn them out of Town which was don and ye Caution Entered at Concord Court—

[265] The Selectmen at this Meeting Signed an Order on ye Treaſurer to pay m^{r} Jonas Berned Nine Shillings which George Adams Recovered of him for Setting Mary Preiſts arm — — — They Appointed to Meet ye Selectmen of Weston & Waltham Next Monday at three of ye Clock afternoon at m^{r} Richard Cuttings in Waltham to Adjust ye Charge ye Charge of ye Great Bridge in Watertown & ordered the Clerk to Notify ye Selectmen of Said towns thereof Which was accordingly don

Pr Jon^{a} Brown Town Clerk

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham at the Houſe of m^{r} Richard Cutting in Waltham on y^{e}. 3. Day of September Anno Domini 1764 the Charge of Repairing the Great Bridge in Watertown which had ariſen Since ye Last adjustment which was on the thirty first day of August AD. 1763

Which ammounted to ye Sum of £6 : 3 : 11 : 1 was Proportioned & adjusted & Signed by ye Selectmen of ye Three towns See Lib^r. 2. Page y^e (66) in ye Treasury—
At this Meeting ye Selectmen of Watertown Approbated Nathaniel Coollidge Junr. to be a Retailor of Spiritous Liquors— — — and at this Meeting they Signed an order on the Treasurer to pay Doctor Samuel Danforth the Sum twelve Shillings for what he did for Ruth Maddox. and Signed ye accounts against the Several persons who are Indebted for warning persons out of town which they Received in — —
Monday Sepr. ye 3. 1764 The Selectmen of Waltham not giveing Security to Watertown Relating to ye Wid^o Hannah Biglo as Mentioned in Page (264) I Issued out a warrant to warn her out of town and the Service was don and the Caution Entered at Concord Court

Attest Jon^a Brown Town Cle—

[266] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the House of Mr Edward Richardson on Fryday y^e: 5 day Octr. AD. 1764—
They ordered the Clerk to Issue out a warrant or warrants Directed to ye Constable to warn out of town William Goding & Sarah his wife and four Children. Viz William & Sarah & Elizabeth Phillips and Mary Mathyrs which are of ye Same Family they Came last from Woburn on the: 17 Day of April last past and Reside at the House which now belonges to John Chenery and a Child which now lives at Issaac Sandersons Which was Born at the wid^o Murches ye Mother Came last from Boston in Dec^r: on January last, And the wid^o Mary Goding who Came last from Cambridge on y^e. 20th. Day of December last past and Resides at ye House of James Vela in Watertown — — — —

Warrants were Issued out accordingly

Pr Jon^a Brown Town Cle/

The Service don and ye Cautions
Entered Dec^r: Court

At this Meeting agreed that the Clerk gitt the Glass-windows at the Meeting-House Mended as Soon & as Cheap as he Can and that m^r Nathaniel Harrington Carry as much Gravil on to ye Great Bridge as he thinks Nessacery—And agreed that Miss^rs. John Kemball Nathl- Stone & Nathl Harrington three of ye Selectmen go to m^r Sewall & take advice Relating to Sarah Learned and Report at the Next meeting, also it was agreed that ye Clerk draw orders on Weston to pay Capt. Joseph Harrington 1/8 for 140 feet of plank which He bro^t. to ye Great Bridge in Watertown — —
also to pay m^r Benjn. Harrington 1/13 s for 165 feet which he Sent to s^d Bridge. and to m^r Jonas Harrington 2/0 s & Seven

pence one farthing for 203 feet which which he bro^{t}. to Said Bridge—
Nov^{r}: ye 1: 1764 I gave an order on the Selectmen of Weston to pay Capt. Joseph Harrington's account
Jon^{a} Brown Town Cler—

[267] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the House of ye Wid^{o} Mary Learned on the 26th. Day of Nov^{r}: AD: 1764—Mr Samuel White late Surveyor of High-way appeared and made up his accounts with the Selectmen, at this Meeting ye Selectmen Directed the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant to warn the wid^{o} Mary Draper out of Town who Came last from Roxbury in the Month of May last and Ephraim Wheeler & Elizabeth his wife who Came from Boston in ye Month of February Last And Benjamin Fessenden & his wife Barbara and their Children (Viz) Benjamin Isaac Mary & arthur who Came last from Milton in March Last and Daniel Fullar and Lydia his wife & Isaac Lydia Meriam & Jemina their Children who Came Last from Newton in the Month of June Last, And Stephen Stearns who Came last from Cambridge in the Month of July last Which was accordingly don and the persons warned out (Except Daniel Fullar & Family) Cautions Entered Decr Court—
at this Meeting it was agreed that m^{r} Moses Stone should provide a pair of Shirts for Samuel Coollidge — — —
At a meeting of ye Selectmen at ye House of the wid^{o} Mary Learned on the Tenth Day of Dec^{r}: Anno Domini 1764 they ordered the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant Directed to ye Constable to Warn Oliver Learned out of town S^{d} Learned Came last from Deadham Some time in ye Month of April or May Last — — which was Accordingly don.

At this Meeting it was Agreed that Mr Moses Stone provide a pair of Stockings for Samuel Coollidge and that Mr John Kemball provide a Gown & a hankercheif and an Apron for Mary Coollidge—and it was Agreed y^{t}: Bezaleel Learned put up what old & New planck may be Spared on the West Side of ye Great Bridge to prevent the Snow from Driveing off

[268] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye House of Mr John Kemball on the 21 Day of Dec^{r}: 1764 They Signed an order on the Treasurer to pay the Town Creditors the Sum of
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13 : 11 : 3 : 3 which was Granted to them last march Meeting—Also Signed an other order to pay ye Sum 0 : 16 : 1 : 3 farthings to m^{r} Simon Hastings for Mending ye Meeting-House Glass And they Agreed to have a town Meeting on the 31 day of this Present Month at one of the Clock in the afternoon at ye Publick Meeting House and Directed the Clerk to Issue out

a Warrant Directed to ye Conſtable to warn the Inhabitants to aſsemble at the time & place aforeSaid for ye ends following (Viz) First to Chooſe a Moderator for Said Meeting —
(2^ly^:) For the town to Chooſe a Committe to Settle ye Bounds of the Land which Nathaniel Harris Esqr late of Watertown Decſt. gave to the town or to Act any thing Elſe on ye affair they may think proper— (3^ly^:) For to know the minde of the town Whether they will grant Liberty to Sett Stables for Horſes on ye Towns land Near the Meeting-Houſe and for the Town to act any thing on the affair they may think proper (4^ly^:) For the town to hear & Conſider the affair of Sarah Learned a perſon Suppoſed to Belong to Boſton, and for the town to provide for the payment of the Charge which has ariſen by her being bro^t^. into ye town and Left in the hands of the Selectmen, And for the town to do any thing towards obtaining the S^d^. Charge of the town of Boston and Grant money to Carry on the affair in ye law if Need Require—
A warrant was Issued out accordingly

Att^t^: Jon^a^ Brown Town Cler

[269] At a Gen^ll^: Town Meeting of ye freeholders & othe Inhabitants of Watertown Who are Quallified according to law to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at ye Publick Meeting Houſe in s^d^ Town on Monday the Thirty first day of December Anno Domini 1764—
Voted and Choſe John Hunt Esqr Moderator for s^d^ Meeting
Voted to Chooſe a Com^tt^: to Settle the Bounds of ye land Between Stephen Harris's land & ye land that his Father gave to the town—Voted to Chooſe Seven Men for Said Committe

Voted & Chooſe for S^d^. Committe—
- John Hunt Esqr
- L^t^. Daniel Whitney
- Capt Edward Harrington
- Enſ Jon^a^ Bemis
- m^r^ Saml Fisk
- Capt John Tainter
- m^r^ Nathl Harrington

Put to Vote whether ye Town will give Liberty to Sett Stables on ye Towns land Near ye Meeting Houſe and it paſst in the Affirmative—Voted that there be no Stables Sett on the towns land Untill ye Bounds of s^d^ land be Aſsertained—Voted that ye Committe appointed to Settle ye Bounds of ye land above Said Determin where ye Said Stables Shall be Sett—Voted that Such perſons as pay ye largest publick Tax's have the preferances in their Choice in Setting Stables—Voted y^t^ the s^d^ Committe Report to ye Town what they do on the affair as Soon as may be—
Voted that the Selectmen Procede on the affair of Sarah Learned as they Shall think proper—

The Buſineſs Being don the Meeting was Deſolved—

[270] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of ye Wid^o^ Mary Learned on the 24th. Day of January Anno Domini 1765 — — — — —
They being Informed that one Josiah Stowel was come to Dwell in town who Came last from Boston about the middle of March last And Thaddeus Haſtings & Mary his wife from Lexington last on the Second day of May last their Circumſtances being Such that the Selectmen Refuſe to accept them to be Inhabitants of Watertown and Ordered the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant to warn them out of town together with Daniel Fullar & his Family which the Conſtable Could not finde before—A warrant was Issued out accordingly

At this Meeting they appointed Mr Nathl Stone and the Town Treaſurer to Proceede on the affair of Sarah Learned Directly and Deſired them to go to Boston the Next Day with as many of ye Selectmen as Could attend to Treat with the Selectmen of Boston about S^d^ affair
at this Meeting m^r^ Moses Stone gave a Notification in to Inform the Selectmen that he had Received one John Caldwel to live with him who Came last from Cambridge on the thirteenth Day of September last past—and one Sarah Swan who alſo Came Last from Cambridge on the Second day of April last past and they ordered her to be warned out of town

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at ye Houſe of the wid^o^: Mary Learned on the Eighteenth day of Feb^ry^: AD 1765 — — —
Mr John Kemball bro^t^: in an account for two Shifts which he procured for Mary Coollidge ammounting to 16/1 & the Selectmen Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay the Same alſo to pay ye Rev^d^: Mr Seth Storer his Sallary for the Year 1764—
the Selectmen orderd the Clerk to Send to John Stratton to come and give in the Name of a woman that is at his Houſe or to Sue him for the fine if he Neglects — —

[271] At this Meeting ye Selectmen Agreed to have ye annual Town-Meeting on the fourth day of March Next at the Publick Meeting Houſe at Nine of the Clock in the forenoon and ordered the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant Directed to the Conſtable to warn the Inhabitants who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to aſsemble and Meet together at the time & place aforeSaid to act on the following articles (Viz) First to Chooſe a Moderator for Said Meeting—(2) To Chooſe Selectmen Town Clerk & Treaſurer & all other town officers Required by law to be Choſe in the month of March Annually — — — —
(3)To Chooſe a Saxton & agree how he Shall be paid for his Service (4) To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer (5) To know ye Minde of the Town Whether Swine Shall Run at

Large ye enſueing year (6) To Chooſe a Committe Examin ye Treaſurers accounts and paſs any Votes on them they may think proper — —
(7) For the town to approprate the Intereſt Money Comeing to the town ye preſent Year the Year Begining the Eleventh day of Decr. last past (8) To Grant a Sallary for the Rev^d^ m^r^ Seth Storer for the year enſueing the year Begining the first day of March Next (9) To Grant Money for the Support of the School (10) To grant money for the Support of the poor (11) To Grant money for Repairing the great Bridge (12) To Hear the accounts of of thoſe perſons ye town is Indebted to and grant money to pay the Same— —
(13) To grant money to Repair the High-ways & town-ways if the town think proper & to Chooſe ye Surveyors Collectors of ye High way Rate and Determin ye price of Labour in Working out Said Rate (14^ly^) To hear the pleas of ye preſent or late Conſtables for abateing any Perticular perſons Perſons Rates in their lists & for ye Town to act their pleaſure thereon (15^ly^) To know ye minde of the town whether they will have two or more School-Houſes in the Town and if the town Agree there to then to make Proviſion for Erecting the Same & Determin where they Shall be Sett and act any thing Elſe on ye affaire they may think proper—
(16^ly^) To Hear the Report of ye Selectmen of what they have don Relating to the town-way that leads from the South-west Corner of m^r^ David Sangers land down to his Wharf in order to make Said way Certain and for the town to Confirm ye Same or do any thing Elſe on the affair they may think Proper —

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[272] (17^ly^) For the town to do what may be thought Proper to Confirm a Deed which was given Richard King which is though not Sufficiently Executed And for ye Town to Act any thing on the affair they may think Proper (18^ly^) To Hear ye petition of Nathaniel Sanger Praying the town to give Liberty to finiſh his Building Near ye Mill Creek where he has Sett Up a Frame and for the town to Act any thing on ye affair they may think Proper (19^ly^) To know the Minde of ye Town whether they will Do any thing for the Obtaining the wid^o^ Mary Maddox's Dowry in her late Huſbands Estate as Nothing appears at preſent to Debarr her from it and for the town to act any thing on the affair they may think Proper (20^ly^) To know ye minde of the town whether they will Apply to the General Court to have the Fiſhery in Watertown put Under Some Regulations that May Prevent the Many Quarrals & Diſputes that often ariſe Between the perſons that Come to fiſh and for the town to act any thing on the affair they may think proper — —
Likewiſe to Notify the town Creditors to bring in their Ac-

counts to the Selectmen at the Houſe of ye Wid^o^ Mary Learned on Fryday the first Day of March Next at two of the Clock afternoon
a Warrant Was Issued out Accordingly
Att^t^ Jon^a^ Brown Town Clerk
At this Meeting ye Selectmen ordered the Clerk to Issue out a warrant to warn John Foster out of town who Came last from Roxbury on fourth day of April last past and Reſides at the Houſe of ye wid^o^ Elizabeth Learned—Which was accordingly don
Pr Jon^a^ Brown Town Cler—

[273] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on the first day of March AD 1765 at ye Houſe of ye wid^o^ Mary Learned. The perſons that keept ye poor &c Bro^t^. in their accounts which are as follows (Viz)
Jonas Bearne bro^t^. in his account for Boarding Mary Coollidge from ye 27 day of Feb^ry^: 1764 to February ye 27: 1765 at thirteen Shillings Pr Week old Tenor & for Makeing a Gown and Mending Shooes: 33 : 17 : 6 —
L: M: 4 : 11 : 7 : 3
John Kemball bro^t^: an account for Cloathing which he procured for s^d^ Mary Coollidge which Comes to ye Sum of—
L: M: 0 : 16 : 0 : 1
Simon Coollidge bro^t^: his account for Boarding and other things for the wid^o^ Lydia Warrin to y^e^: 4 day of this preſent March which Come to the Sum of — — — 12 : 16 : 1 : 1
Thomas Learned bro^t^: his Account for Boarding the wid^o^ Mary Maddox from February ye 29 : 1764 to Feb^ry^: ye 28 1765 which Comes the Sum of — — — — — — 8 : 9 : 10 : 2
Joseph Coollidge bro^t^: an Account for Boarding Samuel Coollidge from y^e^: 28 of February 1764 to y^e^ 28 of Feb^ry^: 1765 amounting to the Sum of — — — — — — 13 : 0 : 0 —
and for Boarding Ruth Maddox Nine Weeks — 0 : 5 : 4 : 3

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All which Accounts were allow'd by y^e^ Selectmen—
at this Meeting y^e^ Selectmen ordered the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant to Warn Roland Bennett out of town who Came Last from Boſton in the Month of April last past which was don y^e^ Same time
At this Meeting the Selectmen Received the following accounts in order to their being Layed before the Town (Viz)
To Dr Josiah Converse for Medicine & attendance on ye french family and the wid^o^ Lydia Warrin — — — — — 0 : 14 : —

To Jonathan Stone for Serveing Conſtable in ye year 1763 . .	1 : 0 : 0 —
To John Kemball for Serveing Aſseſsor ye Year past — — — — — — — — — — — —	0 : 16 : 0 —
To Moſes Stone for Like Service	0 : 16 : 0
To Jon^a: Brown for Service as Treaſurer & aſseſsor last Year : — — — — — — — — —	3 : 9 : 4 —
To L^t: Daniel Whitney for Houſe Rent for ye french — — — — — — — — — — — — —	1 : 15 : 6
To Simon Whitney for Carrying ye french mans goods to Boſton : — — — — — — — —	0 : 6 : 0 —
To Bez^ll: Learned for Labour at ye Great Bridge	2 : 3 : 1 : 2
To Jon^a: Bemis Ju^r for Serveing Conſtabl in ye Year 1756 : — — — — — — — — — —	0 : 12 : 0 : 0
To Edmund Fowle for what he paid the wid^o Abigail Livermore — — — — — — — — —	0 : 2 : 9 : 0
	11 : 14 : 8 : 2

the two Last added at ye town Meeting—

[274] At Gen^ll Town Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at ye publick Meeting Houſe in s^d Town on Monday the fourth Day of March AD 1765 for ye Choice of Town officers & Tranſacting other affairs as Mentioned in the Warrant for s^d Meeting

Voted & Choſe Mr Nath^ll Harrington Moderator for s^d Meeting

Voted & Choſe for Selectmen—
- Mr John Kemball
- Mr Nathl Stone
- Jon^a Brown
- Mr Moses Stone
- Mr Jon^a: Child

Voted & Choſe for Town Clerk Jonathan Brown

Voted & Choſe for Town Treaſurer Jon^a Brown

Voted & Choſe for aſseſsors . . .
- Mr John Kemball
- Jon^a Brown
- M^r Moſes Stone

Voted & Choſe for Conſtables miſ^rs. Sam^ll- White & Eben^r: Stetſon

Voted & Choſe for Wardens miſ^s Richard Clark & William Bond

Voted & Choſe for Sealer of Leather m^r Isaac Sanderſon

Voted & Choſe for fence-Vieuers miſ^s: Sam^ll Soden & Nehemiah Maſon—

Voted & Choſe for Surveyors of High-Ways: miſ^s Thomas Learned & Edward Harrington Ju^r

Voted & Choſe for Tythingmen miſ^r: Josiah Bright & Joseph Coollidge—

Voted & Choſe for Hogreives miſ^s: Nathan Coollidge & Sam^ll Warrin—

Voted & Choſe for Deer-reives miſs Jonas White & Cornelius Waldo—
Voted & Choſe for Surveyors of Timber &c Nathll Coollidge Jur & Jonas Coollidge Jur
Voted & Choſe for Howards miſs: Josiah Norcroſs & Daniel Whitney Jur—
Voted & Choſe for Clerks of ye Market miſs Edmund Fowle & David Sanger—
Voted & Choſe Cullars of Hoops Staves &c Samll Cook & Bezll: Learned
Voted Surveyor of Wheat mr Eliſha Learned — — — — —
Voted & Choſe mr Simon Haſtings for Saxton — — — —
Voted that ye Saxton Shall have two Contrabutions as Uſual for his Service—Voted that Swine be Shut up ye preſent Year

Voted & Choſe for a Commtt: to Examin the Treaſures Accounts — — — — — { Mr John Remington / Mr Nathl Harrington / Mr Moſes Stone }

Voted to Appropriate ye Intereſt money as it was ye last year (Viz) five Shillings & eight pence to ye School & the Reſt to the Miniſter

[275] Voted & Granted ye Sum of 66 : 13 : 4 for a Sallary for the Revd mr Seth Storer the Enſueing year ye Intereſt money Appropriated to that Uſe to be paid of Said Sum & ye Remainder to be aſseſt—
Voted & Granted for the Support of ye School ye Sum of — — — — — — — — — — — — — £40 : 0 —
Voted & Granted for ye Support of ye poor — — — 50 : 0 —
Voted & Granted for Repairing ye Great Bridge — — 3 : 0 —
Voted & Granted for Mending ye High-ways & Town-ways — 40 : 0 —
Voted & Choſe ye Surveyors of High ways Collectors of ye High way Rate — — —
Voted that ye price of Labour in Working out ye High-way Rate be the Same it was the Last Year— — — — — — —
Voted & abated in Conſtable Isaac Sanderſons List ye Sum of £1 : 6 : 4 : 2—
and in Conſtable Jonathan Stones Lists for ye Year 1763 (Viz) Abel Lorings Rates being 0 : 12 : 3 pence and Ruſsels Rates being . . 0 : 12 : 3 pence Both being — 1 : 4 : 6 : —
and Granted the Same Sums to make them good — — — —
Then the 15th: Article was Read and after Debate thereon the Vote was put Whether ye Town will Build any More School-Houſes at preſent and it Paſt in the Negative — — — — — —
Upon a Motion made & Seconded it was put to Vote Whether the town will grant a further Sum of Money to be laid out in

Such a Manner and in Such parts of the town as ye Selectmen Shall think proper and it paſt in the affirmative—
Then it was put to Vote whether the town will grant ye Sum of twenty pounds for s^d^ Schooling it past in ye Negative — —
The twelth Article when Read the accounts of thoſe perſon to Whome the Town is Indebted were Sevarly Read to ye town the whole amounting to ye Sum of 11 : 14 : 8 : 2 farthings and ye Town Voted and Granted the Same Sum to pay s^d^ accounts—
Upon a Motion made & Seconded the Vote was put Whether it be the Minde of the town that ye Remaining Articles in ye Warrant be put of to Next May Meeting to be then acted Upon and it past in the affirmative — — — — — —

[276] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of ye Wid^o^ Mary Learned on the 4:th Day of March AD 1765 for the Swareing ye Town officers after the Selectmen had Taken ye oath Relating to ye Bills of the othe Goverments the perſons after named took the oaths Required by law to Quallified them to to Serve in Several offices to which they were Choſen Viz
Jon^a^ Brown Town Clerk & Treaſurer & aſseſsor
Miſ^s^ John Kemball & Moses Stone — — — aſseſsors
Richard Clark a Warden Isaac Sanderſon Sealer of Leather
Sam^ll^: Soden fence Viewer, Thomas Learned & Edward Harrington Ju^r^ Surveyors of High-ways & Collectors, Josiah Bright & Joseph Coollidge Tything men, Samuel Warrin Hogreive, Jonas White & Cornelius Waldo Deer Reives, Nath^ll^ Coollidge Ju^r^ & Jonas Coollidge Ju^r^: Surveyors of Timber &c
Josiah Norcroſs & Daniel Whitney Ju^r^ Howards Edmund Fowle & David Sanger Clerks of ye Market, Samuel Cook & Bezaleel Learned Cullars of Hoops Staves &c Eliſha Learned Surveyor of Wheat
All Sworn by John Hunt Justice peace—

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Publick Meeting Houſe on ye 4:th Day of March AD 1765 Before the Opening of ye publick Town-Meeting the Selectmen Signed an order on the Town Treaſurer to pay out of ye Treaſury the Sum of 39 : 19 : 0 : 2 farthings to ye following perſons it being in full of their accounts which they Exhibited to ye Selectmen on the first day of this preſent month See Page. (273) of this Book (Viz)

To miſ^r^. Jonas Berned — — —	4	11	7	3
To John Kemball — — — —	0	16	0	1
To Simon Coollidge — — — —	12	16	1	1
To Thomas Learned — — —	8	9	10	2
To Joseph Coollidge — — — —	13	5	4	3—
	£39	19	0	2

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on the Eleventh day of March 1765 at the Houſe of ye wid^o^ Mary Learned Mr Samuel White took ye Oath of a Conſtable & Mr William Bond the oath of a Warden & Mr Nathan Coollidge the oath of a Hogreive after they had Taken ye Money oath they were Sworn by—Jon^a^ Brown Town Cler—

[277] At Said Meeting the Selectmen Agreed with m^r^ Jonas Bearned to take of and Board Mary Coollidge for one Year if She lives at ye Rate of fifteen Shillings p^r^ Week old Tenor — —
And with m^r^ John Sawin to take Care of ye wid^o^ Lydia Warrin and Board her one year if She lives at ye Rate of thirty two Shillings p^r^ Week old Tenor
And with Mr Jonathan Stone to take Care of & Board the wid^o^ Mary Maddox one Year at the Rate of eighteen Shillings p^r^ Week old Tenor — — — — —
And with m^r^ Joseph Coollidge to take Care of & Board Samuel Coollidge one Year if he lives at the Rate of twenty Seven Shillings p^r^ week old Tenor—And the Several perſons are to be Taken Care as of aboveSaid without any further allowance lett their Circumſtances be w^t^: they will (Except in Case of Sickneſs)
At this Meeting ye Selectmen agreed that m^r^ Bezaleel Learned Should take Care of ye Great Bridge the preſent Year provided that he will do it at a Reaſonable Rate and be faithfull in the Truſt — — — — — — — — —
And it was agreed by the Selectmen to look out for another School-maſter
at this Meeting they Signed an order on ye Town Treaſurer to pay the Sum of one pound to m^r^ Moses Stone for Cloathing which he provided for Samuel Coollidge and one pound Seven Shillings & four pence to Mr Nathaniel Stone for Boarding Sarah Learned

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of m^r^ Edward Richardſon on ye 25th: Day of March 1765—agreed that m^r^ Nath^ll^- Stone Provide what Cloathing is Neſsacery for the wid^o^ Lydia Warrin Alſo Agreed that m^r^ John Kemball provide a School-maſter that he thinks will anſwer the end, as Cheap and Soon as he Can and make Report to the Selectmen — — —
Likewiſe it was agreed that miſu^rs^ John Kemball & Nathl. Stone goe and take advice Relating to the Ephraim Warrin & ye Wid: Maddox and Sarah Learned tomorrow and Report at the Next meeting—

[278] At the Meeting afore Said the Selectmen Signed an order on the town Treaſurer to pay m^r^ Marſhal Spring ye Sum of thirty pounds which is in full for his keeping ye School in Watertown Nine Months — — — — — — —

at this Meeting they ordered the Clerk to write an order to the Clerks of ye Market for last year to Diliver the towns Scales and weights to ye Prefent Clerks of ye Markets — — — —
at this meeting ye afsefsors made Return to ye Selectmen of their afsefsing the High-way Rate which they ordered to be Recorded which is as follows (Viz)——

To ye Selectmen — — — — — — — —
Gen^n:

afsesfors Certificate

Thefe may Certify that we ye Subscribers afsefsors have afseft the Ratable Pools and Estates in Watertown in the Sum of forty pounds it being ye Grant made at ye last march Meeting by ye Town for Repairing ye High-ways and town-ways the prefent year and have Committed lists of the Same to the Surveyors who are alfo Collectors of the High-way Rate (Viz)
To m^r Edward Harrington Ju^r: the Sum of — — — — 20 : 18 : 10 : 2
and to m^r Thomas Learned ye Sum of — — — — 19 : 1 : 1 : 2
with Lawfull warrants to levy & Collect ye Same or See that it be faithfully worked out agreable to ye Vote of ye Town So as to make up their accounts with your Selves or Succefsors on or before the last Day of November Next Enfueing the Date Hereof

John Kemball
Jon^a: Brown
Moses Stone

Watertown March y^e: 18: 1765

[279] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houfe of the wid^o Mary Learned on y^e: 29 Day of March AD 1765 — — —
Mr John Kemball informed ye Selectmen that he had agreed with Joseph Willard to keep the School three Months for Ten pounds and that he began the Day before — — — — —
at this Meeting m^r Joseph Coollidge informed that he would take a Letter of Guardianfhip for Ephraim Warrin if ye Selectmen would go to ye Judge with him and git one which they agreed to do the Next tuesday — — — — — — — — —
The Afsefsors Diftrects were given as they were last Year See page (259)

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on ye 8th- day of april 1765 at ye Houfe of Mr Edward Richardfon they Signed an order on ye Treafurer to pay to m^r Nathaniel Stone Six Shillings which he

gave for advice Relating to Ephraim Warrin and to pay m^r^ Moſes Stone two Shillings which he gave to ye County Regiſter for Copys Relating to ye wid^o^. Maddox's affair — — — — —
They agreed that ye Clerk Should Send an order to m^r^ Thomas Learned not keep the wid^o^: Mary Maddox any Longer at the towns Cost which was don the Same Evening — — — — —
Miſs^rs^: Nath^ll^: Stone & Moses Stone are to Perambulate lines & Renew Bounds with the adjacent town on Fryday the third Day of May Next (Viz) with Cambridge at Eight of the Clock in the Morning to Begin at ye River, and at Twelve a Clock at Noon with Waltham and at four of the Clock afternoon with Newton and the Clerk is to Notify the Sevaral Towns Accordingly Which was accordingly don

By Jon^a^ Brown Town Clerk

Perambulation

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on the Sixth Day of May 1765 at the Houſe of the wid^o^ Mary Learned Miſs^rs^: Nathl: Stone & Moses Stone made Verbal Report that they had attended the Service of Perambulating and meet the Perſons Appointed by the Adjacent towns and Renewed the Marks — —

[280] At the Said Meeting on ye Sixth of May 1765 See ye last Page Mr Marſhall Spring bro^t^: in his account for keeping the School last Year ten Months & Ten Days and and the Selectmen Signed an order of the Treaſurer to Pay him the Sum of Four pounds Eight Shilling & ten pence two farthing in full for s^d^ Service and the Sum of Six pounds Six Shillings & Eleven pence for his Medicines & attendance of Sarah Learned while She was Lame
at this Meeting m^r^: John Kemball Notified ye Selectmen that he had Received into town one Benjamin Bond who Came last from Weston the first Day of April last Likewiſe m^r^ David Bemis Notified that he had Received one Phinehas Child and Family into the Houſe that was m^r^ Amos Bonds late Deceaſt and Nathaniel Coollidge Junr notified that he had Received one Ruth Bowman into his family who Came Last from Lincoln in the Month of March last — — —
N. B. s^d^ Phinehas Child above said Came last from Waltham the later-end of March Last — — — — — — — —
at this Meeting it was agreed that m^r^ John Kemball Should gitt the Pound Repaired and alſo the Stocks — — — —
And the Selectmen haveing Received a Precept Requiring the to aſsemble the Inhabitants of Watertown to Elect & Depute a Suitable perſon to Repreſent them in a Great & General Court Appointed to be Convened held & keept for His Majesty's Service at the Court Houſe in Boston on Wedenſday the 29 Day of this Inſtant May they agreed to have a Town Meeting for that

Purpose on Monday the Thirteenth Day of May Currant and Ordered the Clerk to Issue out a warrant Directed to the Conſtable to warn the Inhabitants who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative to Meet at the publick Meeting-Houſe on s^d^ thirteenth day of May at two of the Clock Afternoon for s^d^ Purpose. and Likewiſe to warn the Inhabitants who are Quallified to vote in town affairs to meet at three of the Clock the Same Day at the Same place to Act on the following Articles (Viz)

First

[281] First to Chooſe a Moderator for Said Meeting — — (2^ly^) To Hear the Report of the Committe that were Choſen to Examin ye Treaſurers Accounts and to paſs any Votes on them they think Proper

(3^ly^) To know ye Minde of the town whether they will have two or more School-Houſes in the town and if ye Town Agree thereto then to make Proviſion for Erecting the Same and Determin where they Shall be Sett and Act any Elſe on the affair they think Proper (4^ly^) To Hear the Report of the Selectmen of what they have don Relating to the Town-way that Leads from the South-weſt Corner of m^r^ David Sangers land down to his Wharf in order to make Said way Certain and to Confirm the Same or do any thing elſe on the affair they May think Proper (5^ly^) For the town to do what may be thought Proper to Confirm a Deed which was given to Richard King which is thought not Sufficiently Executed and for the town to act any thing on the affair they may think Proper (6^ly^) To Hear the Petition of Nathaniel Sanger Praying the town to give him Liberty to Finiſh his Building Near the Mill-Creek where he has Sett Up a Frame and for the town to Act any thing on they affair they May think Proper — —

(7^ly^) To know the Minde of the Town whether will Apply to ye General Court to to have the fiſhery in Watertown Put Under Some Regulations that may Prevent the Many Quarrals & Diſputes Often Ariſe Between the Perſons that Come there to fiſh and for the town to act any thing on the affair they may think Proper (8^ly^) To Chooſe any town officers in the Room of thoſe that were Choſen in March Last who Refuſe or Neglect to Serve. (9^ly^) To Hear the Report of the Committe which were Choſen to Settle the Bounds of ye land Near ye Meeting-Houſe with Stephen Harris and for the town to act any thing elſe on ye affair they may think Proper (10^ly^) To know the minde of the town whether they will Sell a Small Peice of land at the head of the wid^o^ Margrit Parrys Meadow land on the Countrey Road and for the town to act their Pleaſure thereon (11^ly^) To know the minde of the town whether they will abate any Perticular Perſons Rates in ye late Counſtables Hands and for the town to act their Pleaſure thereon—

A Warrant was Issued out Accordingly
Pr Jon^{a} Brown Town Cle

[282] At a Gen^{ll}: Town Meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in ye Choice of a Repreſentative Reguarly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting Houſe in Said town on Monday the Thirteenth Day of May AD 1765—

They made Choice of L^{t}: Daniel Whitney to Serve for and Repreſent them in a Great & Gen^{ll}: Court or aſsembly appointed to be held and kept for his Majesty's Service at the Court-Houſe in Boston on Wedenſday the Twenty Ninth Day of this Preſent Month of May — — — — — — — — —

At a Gen^{ll} Town Meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Qualified to Vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at ye publick Meeting. Houſe in s^{d} Town of Monday the Thirteenth Day of May Anno. Domini 1765—

Voted & Choſe M^{r}: Nathaniel Harrington Moderator for s^{d} Meeting

2^{d} ar^{t}: Voted & accepted ye Committes Report on ye Treaſures accounts (See the Next page)

3 art^{le}: Voted Not to Build any more School-Houſes at Preſent

Put to vote whether it be the Minde of the town to grant a further Sum of Money to be laid out for the Inſtruction of the youth in Such parts of the town and at Such places and times as a Committe to be heafter appointed by ye town (Seperate from ye Gramer School) Shall think Proper and it paſt in the affeirmative

Voted and Granted the Sum of 20 Pounds for S^{d}: Schooling

Voted and Choſe for Said Committe
- Jonas White
- Jonas Bond Ju^{r}
- Nathl Harrington
- Neh^{h}: Maſon
- Jon^{a} Bemis Ju^{r}

on the 6 article Put to Vote whether the town will act on the Petition of Nath^{ll} Sanger & it paſt in ye Negative

Voted and accepted the town Road by David Sangers as Stated by the Selectmen See their Report at Page (284) Recorded.—

[283] Put to Vote whether the town will act on the article Relating to Samuel Sanger and it paſt in ye affirmative

Voted to Chooſe a Committe & Impower them to give a Quit Claim Deed of all the towns Rite to Said Land which was granted to Richard King

Voted and Chofe for Said Committe— { m^r Samuel Fisk / m^r John Remington / John Hunt Esqr }

Voted that the Reprefentative petetion the General Court for Liberty for the Selectmen to Regulate the fifhery in Watertown as they think Proper—

Voted and Accepted m^r Isaac Sanderfon to Serve Conftable in the Room of m^r Ebenezer Stetfon, and Said Sanderfon was Sworn to Said office By John Hunt Justice Peace — — — — —

Then the Committee that were appointed to Settle the Bounds of the land with Stephen Harris Made Verbal Report that they had agreed with Said Harris and Sett the fence on the line and that m^r Harris had given a Quit Claim Deed of what land was out of the fence And the town Voted and Accepted ye Said Committes Report and that the Said Deed be Recorded—

Voted that the Committe formerly Chofen to Sell land Lying to ye ways be and hereby are Impowred to Sell the Small peice of land Mentioned in y^e Tenth Article to the wid^o Margrit Parry—

Then Voted and Abated m^r James Bayles Minifters Tax for y^e year 1763 upon his giveing a Difcharge for the Same

Likewife Voted and abated Jonas Learneds Rates in Conftable Stones lists for two years and granted the Sum of 0 : 15=9 : 1 to make it good

The Committes Report on the Town Treafurers Accounts as follows (Viz)

Watertown May 10th. 1765 We the Subscribers Appointed by the Town Aforesaid to Examine the Town Treafurers accounts Upon Examination find Said accounts Well Vouched & Right Cast

John Remington / Moses Stone } Com^tt-

[284] The Selectmen of Watertown Report to ye Said Town That they have Stated the Town way leading out of ye County Road Down to m^r: David Sangers Wharf to be two Roods wide from Said Sangers wall Said wall to be the Eafterly Bounds of Said way

Watertown March y^e: 1: 1765 This Town way allowed by ye Town See Page (282)//

John Kemball / Nath^ll: Stone / Jonathan Child / Nathl Harrington / Mofes Stone } Selectmen

May ye 24: 1765 I gave an order on ye Selectmen of Weston To pay m^r Jonas Harrington Ju^r of Weston ye Sum of 2 : 0 : 7 : 1 farthing in full for 203 feet of planck which he Bro^t: to the Great Bridge in Watertown last Year

Jon^a: Brown Town Cle—

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of ye Wid^o^: Mary Learned on ye 24 Day of June 1765 — — —
They Signed an order on ye Treaſurer to the Sum of Ten pounds to Mr Joseph Willard which is in full for his keeping ye School in Watertown three months and the Sum of one pound thirteen Shillings to Mr Benjamin Harrington for 165 feet of planck which he Sent to ye Great Bridge in Watertown ye last Year—
It was agreed that M^r^: John Kemball & Jonathan Brown or either of them Treat with Mr Joseph Willard and agree with him to keep ye School Some further time if he is willing and make Report at their next meeting

[285] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of m^r^ Moſes Stone on the Fifth Day of July AD 1765—
Mr Joseph Coolldge being preſent Informed the Selectmen that Samuel Coollidge was in want of Some Breeches—they Agreed that Said Joseph Coollidge procure Some Tow-Cloth and make him two pair & Bring in his account to the Selectmen for allowance as Soon as they are made

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham at the Houſe of Mr Richard Cutting in Waltham on the Second Day of Sep^r^: AD: 1765 The Charge of Repairing the the Great in Watertown which had ariſen Since the last adjustment which was on ye third Day of Sep^r^: Anno Domini 1764 which amounted to the Sum of £7 : 4^s^ : 8^d^ : 3^q^ was Proportioned and adjusted & Signed by the Selectmen of ye three Towns See Lib^r^: 2 Page the (66) in the Treaſury—

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on Second Day of Sep^r^: AD 1765 at the Houſe of m^rs^: Mary Learned The Selectmen approbated M^r^: Thomas Saltmarſh Mrs Mary Learned & m^r^: Edward Richardſon to be Inholders & Miſs^rs^: John Remington Cornelius Waldo & Nathaniel Coollidge Ju^r^: to be Retailors—at this Meeting upon being Informed that the Meeting-Houſe & m^r^: Storers Houſe wanted Repairs it was agreed that Miſ^rs^: Nath^ll^. Stone Jon^a^: Child & Moses Stone Should go and Veiw them & that the Selectmen will meet again on this Day Fortnight at this place to Conſider what is Proper to be don in the affair— They alſo being Informed that the town Standard of Weights & Meaſures do not Agree with the Province Standard therefore ordered the Clerk to Deſire m^r^: Samuel Fisk to Carry them to Boston and gitt them new Sealed at the towns Cost

They

[286] They Likewiſe being Informed that one Timothy Daucey and one Richard Walker were Come to Dwell in Water-

town at the Houſe of John Hunt Esqr: they Came last from Boston and one Elizabeth Stowell at the Houſe of Edward Harrington Ju^{r}: She Came last from Waltham the Said Daucey and Walker Came into town the first Day of October last past and ye Said Elizabeth Stowell on the twenty fifth day of the Same month their Circumſtances being Such that the Selectmen ordered the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant to warn them out of town—A Warrant was Issued out accordingly Dated the Next Day Directed to Conſtable Samuel White

Service don Cautions Enter'd Jon^{a}: Brown Town Cler—
Concord Court Sep^{r}: 1765

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of ye wid^{o}: Mary Learned on y^{e}: 16 Day of Sep^{r}: 1765—

They agreed to approbate m^{r}: Abijah Learned to keep an Inhold in his mothers Houſe in her Stead—Likewiſe to approbate m^{r} Bezaleel Learned to be a Retailor—They Directed the Clerk to Send to ye Selectmen of Weston to Send three Hundred feet of good Planck for the Great Bridge in Watertown

They Likewiſe agreed to have a Town-Meeting on Monday the twenty third Day of this preſent September at one of the Clock afternoon at ye Publick Meeting-Houſe and ordered the Clerk to Issue out warrants Directed to the Conſtable to warn the Inhabitants who are Qullified to Vote in town affairs to meet at time and place afore Said for the Ends following (Viz)

First

[287] First To Chooſe a Moderator for Said Meeting—

(2^{ly}) To know the minde of ye Town whether they will give Some Inſtructions to their Repreſentative how to act on the Important affairs that will Come before the General Court at their Next Seſsions and for the town to act any thing on ye affair that may be thought Proper—

(3^{ly}) For the town to grant money to Build a New pound & to act any thing Relating thereto they may think Proper

(4^{ly}) For to know the minde of ye Town whether they will Repair the Meeting-Houſe and the Dwelling Houſe where ye Rev^{d} M^{r}: Seth Storer Dwells and if they agree thereto then to agree in what manner Said Repairs Shall be don and Grant money there for and act any thing on ye affair they may think Proper

(5^{ly}) To Hear what ye Selectmen have don Relating to ye affair of Sarah Learned and for ye Town to Grant money to Carry on the affair with ye Town of Boston and act any thing Relating thereto as may be thought Needfull — — — — —

(6^{ly}) To Hear the Report of ye Committe that were appointed to lay out the Lotts for Stables Near ye Meeting-Houſe and for

the town to act any thing further on the affair they may think Proper—
Which was Accordingly Don the Next Day—
Attest Jon^{a}: Brown Town Clerk—

[288] At a Gen^{ll}: Town Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly assembled & meet together at ye publick meeting-House In Said town on Monday y^{e}: 23^{d}: Day of Sep^{r}: Anno Domini 1765 for Transacting ye affairs as Settforth in ye warrants for s^{d}: Meeting—
Voted & Choose M^{r}: Nath^{ll}: Stone Moderator for ye Meeting the 2 article was Read & after Debate thereon it was put to Vote Whether it be your Minds to act any thing on ye article and it past in the Negative—
(3) Article Read Put to Vote whether ye town will grant Mony to Build a New pound & it past in ye Negative
2^{ly}: Put to Vote whether ye Town would Repair the old pound & it past in the Affirmative—
(4th) article Read & Put to Vote whether the town will Repair the Meeting-House & it past in ye affirmative — — —
Put to Vote whether whether they will Repair the Misterial House & it past in ye affirmative
Put to Vote whether the porch Should be Covered with Lead and it past in the affirmative—
Voted & Granted the Sum of 13 : 6 : 8 to Repair ye Meeting-house
Voted & Granted ye Sum of 5 pounds to Repair ye Ministeriel House
Voted & Chose for a Com^{tt} to Repair s^{d}: Houses { Jonas White, Moses Stone, Richard Clark }
Voted & Granted ye Sum of £20 pounds to Carry on ye affair between the Town of Watertown & Boston Relating to Sarah Learned
Voted that ye Selectmen Repair ye pound as they think Needfull—

[289] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye House of ye wid^{o} Mary Learned on the 11th. Day of November AD 1765 — — —
The Selectmen Agreed that m^{r}: Prentice Should keep the School a Quarter of a Year Longer at ye Same Price as he did the Last Quarter and to Begin ye Next Day — — — —
and it was Agreed that m^{r} Moses Stone Provide a pair of Shirts for Samuel Coollidge as Soon as he Can—and that Mr John Kemball Provide a pair of Shoes for Mary Coollidge and git the Meeting-House & School-house glass Mended, and Likewise that m^{r} Moses Stone desire m^{r} Simon Hastings to mend the School-House — — — —

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of Mr Edward Richardſon on ye 23 Day of Dec^r^: AD 1765—
they Agreed that m^r^: Nathaniel Stone Provide ye wid^o^ Lydia Warrin a pair of Shifts & two Caps—Likewiſe Agreed that M^r^: Ebenezer Stone Ju^r^: take & Board the wid^o^ Maddox till the Poor are Put out in March Next at two Piſterens p^r^ Week Alſo Agreed that m^r^: Joseph Coollidge provide Some Buttons and Mend Samuel Coollidges Jacket and Bring in his Account in order for payment—

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of Jonathan Brown on the 17th- Day of January Anno Domini 1766—
they Agreed that four pair of Gloves be provided for the perſons that did the Service in laying out the Corps of Mary Preiſt alſo Agreed y^t^ the Clerk Issue out a Warrant to Warn Phinehas Child and Family Sarah Byles & Benjamin Bond out of town—
Which was Done the 21 : Day of ye Month
Attest Jon^a^: Brown Town Cle

[290] At the Meeting Mentioned on the last page the Selectmen agreed to Procede in the affair Depending Between Watertown & Boston Relating to Sarah Learned and that miſs^r^ Nathaniel Stone and Moſes Stone take Care that the Same Witneſses be Sommoned as were before and be Ready at the time appointed which is ye Last Tuesday in this preſent month and that Cp^t^ Jonathan Brown Treat with the Attorneys & Endeavor that they attend at the Said time—the Perſons were warned out Except Benjamin Bond and the warrant Return'd to ye Clerk of ye Sessions ye 1 day of Feb^y^—

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on the 7th- Day of Feb^ry^ 1766 at the Houſe of M^r^: Abijah Learned—They Signed Orders on the Town Treaſurer to pay the Town Creditors the Sum of £11 : 14 : 8 : 2 which was Granted them last March Meeting —And the Sum of £66 : 13 : 4 to the Rev^d^: M^r^: Seth Storer for his Sallary the Preſent year alſo it was agreed that m^r^: Caleb Prentice keep the School till the first day of March Next and that m^r^: John Kemball Notifie him thereof—
They ordered the Clerk to Issue out another Warrant to warn Benjamin Bond out of town he not being found before—alſo one Moses Sanderſon who Came last from Cambridge in ye month of August or September Last past and Reſides at ye Houſe of ye Wid^o^ Goddard—alſo agreed to meet again on Tuesday Sen^t^: at m^r^ Moses Stones at Nine of ye Clock in the forenoon
A Warrants were Issued accordingly

[291] At a Meeting of y^e^ Selectmen on the 18th: Day of

Feb^ry Anno Domini 1766 at the Houſe of M^r. Moſes Stone They Setled their Accounts Relating to ye law Suit with the Town of Boſton about Sarah Learned and they ammounted to the Sum of £11=11=3 and they Signed and order on the Town Treaſurer to pay them their Several accounts Viz M^r: Nathaniel Harrington the Sum of 0=4 : 0 Jonathan Child y^e Sum of £0=8=0 Nathaniel Stone the Sum of £1=4 : 6 and John Kemball the Sum of £0 : 4 : 0 Moſes Stone the Sum of £1=7 : 1 and to Jonathan Brown the Sum of £8 : 3 : 8— Agreed that Miſs^rs: John Kemball Jonathan Child and Jonathan Brown go the Next day to Jonas Bond Esq^rs: and Settle accounts Relating to Mary Preiſt with them and Take what Cloathing and &c She left from there—

They Agreed to have y^e publick Annual Town Meeting on Monday the third Day of March Next at ye publick Meeting-Houſe at Ten of the Clock in the forenoon and Ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to ye Several Conſtables to warn the Inhabitants who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to Meet at S^d: time & place to act on the following Articles (Viz) First to Chooſe a Moderator for s^d. Meeting—

(2^ly) To Chooſe Selectmen Town-Clerk & Treaſurer & all other town officers Required by law to be Choſe in the month of March Annually (3^ly) To Chooſe Saxton and Agree how he Shall be paid for his Service (4^ly) To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer (5^ly) To know the minde of the town Whether Swin Shall Run at large the Inſueing year (6^ly) To Chooſe a Committe to Examin the Treaſurers accounts & paſs any Votes on them they may think proper (7^ly.) For the town to appropriate the Intereſt money Coming to then the preſent year ye year Begining the eleventh day of December last past—

Eightly

[292] (8^ly) To grant a Sallary for ye Rev^d: M^r: Seth Storer for ye Year Enſueing ye Year Begining the first day of march next

(9th) To grant money to Suppor the Grammer School or any other Schools that they may Agree upon — — — —

(10th) To Grant money to Support the Poor (11^ly) To Grant money for Repairing the great Bridge (12^ly) To hear the accounts of thoſe perſons the Town is Indebted to and grant money to pay the Same (13.^ly) To grant money to Repair the High-ways and Town-Ways if they think Proper and to Chooſe the Surveyors Collectors of the High-way Rate & Determin the Price of Labour in working out Said Rate—

(14^ly) To Hear the Pleas of the Preſent or late Conſtables for abateing any Perticular perſon Rates in their lists and for the town to Act their Pleaſure thereon (15) To know the minde of the town whether they will pay the prime Cost of any Pew or

Pews in ye Meeting-Houſe which at this time Revert to ye Town Agreable to their former Votes And Diſpoſe of them again in Such a way & manner as they Shall think beſt and do any thing elſe on ye affair they may think Proper (16) To know ye Minde of the town Whether they will Chooſe a Committe to manage the School or Schools that they may agree to be kept in the town and do any thing on the affair they may think Proper (17) To Hear the Report of ye Selectmen Relating to ye affair of Sarah Learned and for ye Town to act their pleaſure thereon—And likewiſe to Notify ye Town Creditors to bring in their accounts to ye Selectmen at the Houſe of M^r^: Abijah Learned on Fryday the 28th- of this Inſtant Feb^ry^: at three of ye Clock afternoon in order to their being laid before the Town—Warrants were Issued out Accordingly

Attest Jon^a^ Brown Town Cle/

[293] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on ye 28th- Day of Feb^ry^: AD 1766 at y^e^ Houſe of m^r^: Abijah Learned The perſons who kept y^e^ Poor y^e^ Year past bro^t^: in their Accounts which are as follows (Viz)

Jonas Berned for Boarding Mary Coollidge from Feb^ry^: 27: 1765 till Feb^ry^ 27 1766 being fifty two weeks at 2/ p^r^ week — — — — — — — 5=4=0

Joseph Coollidge for Boarding Samuel Coollidge from Feb^ry^: 28: 1765 to Feb^ry^: 28: 1766 being 52 weeks at 27/ old Tenor P^r^ week Comes to L M. 9 : 7 : 2 : 2
and for Cloathing &c 1/4 — — — — — — 0 : 1 : 4 : 0

Total is— 9 : 8 : 6 : 2

John Sawin for Boarding the wid° Lydia Warrin from March the Eleventh day 1765 to March the Eleventh 1766 being 52 weeks at 32/1 P^r^ week old Tenor it Comes to in Lawfull money— 11=1 : 10 : 2

Thomas Learned for Boarding the wid° Mary Maddox from the first Day of March 1765 to the Eight day of April following being Five Weeks & five days at 24/1 old Tenor P^r^ week Comes to 0 : 18 : 0 L : M

Ebenezer Stone Ju^r^: for Boarding the wid° Mary Maddox from January y^e^: 4: 1766 to the 28th: of Feb^ry^: following it being Eight Weeks at two piſtereens P^r^ week Comes to— 0 : 19 : 2 :1

Isaac Sanderſon for makeing one pair & mending two pair of Shoes for Samuel Coollidge & making a pair for Mary Coollidge £0 : 13 : 10

Nathaniel Stone for Cloathing for Samuel Coollidge and y^e^ widow Lydia Warrin and for Board &c for Ruth Maddox . . . . 1 : 7 : 7 : 3

Moſes Stone for money lent to y^e town and two Buſhels of Meal for Samuel Maſons wife and Cloathing for Samuel Coollidge 4 : 5=5 : 2

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Jonathan Brown for 20 weight of Beef at 2/1 old Tenor P^r pound which was Deliver'd to Samuel Maſons wife by order of the Selectmen and two pair of Gloves provided for Mary Preifts Funeral and what was omitted in a former account 0 : 14 : 7 : 2

Simon Haſtings for mending the pound Diging a Grave for Mary Preiſt and fixing the Stocks — — — £0 : 10 : 0 —

Bezaleel Learned for Labour and meterials at the great Bridge in the Year past — — — — — — 0 : 17 : 8

Jonas Bond ju^r for things provided for Mary Preifts Funeral more than her wages came to — — — — 0=13 : 0 : 3

[294] At this Meeting the Committe that had the care of the Schooling bro^t: their accounts of What they had Expended in the Several Schools which are as follows Viz—

M^r: Nath^ll: Harrington for caſh paid m^rs. Hannah Bright for keeping School 8 weeks at 5/4^d P^r: Week — — 2 : 2 : 8

M: Jonas Bond ju^r for caſh paid M^rs: Maſon for eight weeks Keeping School at 5/4^d Pr Week — — — 2 : 2 : 8

M^r: Jonas White for caſh paid Moſes Biglo's wife for keeping School at 5/4 p^r Week — — — — — 1 : 1 : 4

To Caſh paid m^rs: Saltmarſh for 8 weeks at 5/4 P^r week— 2 : 2 : 8

To Cash paid m^r: Sam^ll: Cook for Houſe Room to keep the School in — — — — — — — — — — 0 : 12 : 0

and to Cash to Joſiah Biſco for 4 Weeks keeping School 2 : 8 : 0

alſo for 2 Weeks more in keeping School — 1 : 10 : 0

Mr Whites Sum Total for keeping School is £7 : 14 : 0

Alſo m^r Jonas White bro^t: in an account of his Expences in Repairing y^e Miniſteriel Houſe for Labour & meterials ammounting to the Sum of . . . . . 6 : 7 : 8

Jonas Harrington J^r of Weſton Sent an account of 179 feet of planck which he bro^t: to y^e Great Bridge at 20/1 p^r Hundred — — — — — — — — 1 : 15=9 : 2

And m^r Benj^a- Harrington Sent an account of 205 feet of planck which he Sent to S^d: Bridge at y^e Same price 2 : 1 : 0 : —

Likewiſe the perſons afternamed gave in y^e following accounts In order to their being lay'd before the town Viz—

To m^r John Kemball for Serving aſseſsor last year 0=16 : 0

To m^{r} Moſes Stone for like Service — —	0 : 16 : 0
To Jonathan Brown for Serving Treaſurer & aſseſsor	3= 9=4
To Mr Thomas Learned for Houſe Room &c for wid^{o} Maddox	3 : 0=9 : 2
To y^{e} Eſtate of Benjn- Felton Deceaſ^{t} for his Serving Conſtable &c	0 : 9 : 0 —
To Deacon Sam^{ll}- Fisk for giting y^{e} Town Stander Sealed—	0 : 4 : 0
To m^{r} John Kemball for mending y^{e} School-Houſe Chair—	0 : 1 : 10 : 3
Excluſive of Thos Learneds y^{e} Total is	£5 : 16 : 2 : 3

The two last added at town meeting

[295] At this Meeting ye Selectmen Received a Notification from m^{r} John Remington Informing that he had Received one Martha Chadwick into his houſe who Came Last from Cambridge on the fourth day of November last past alſo Leiu^{t} Daniel Whitney Notified that he had Received on Sarah Chamberlain into his houſe who Came last from Needham on the Twelth Day of this preſent month, and Simon Whitney Notified in writing that he had Received into his Family one Suſanna Willard who Came last from Newton in the month of June or July last past
The Selectmen then ordered the Clerk to Issue out a Warrat to warn the above Said Martha Chadwick out of Town—Which was Done the Same Day—

P^{r}: Jon^{a}: Brown Town Cle—

At this Meeting M^{r}: Caleb Prentice Sent to the Selectmen to know whether he Should Continue to keep the School till further Orders or Diſmiſs it. Where upon the Selectmen agreed that it Should be Diſmiſt till further orders. & that m^{r}: Kemball give m^{r}: Prentice notice there of — — —
At a Meeting of y^{e} Selectmen at y^{e} Publick-Meeting Houſe on Monday Morning y^{e} 3^{d}: Day of March AD 1766—
They Signed orders on y^{e} Town Treaſurer to pay the Several accounts which were bro^{t}: in to y^{e} Selectmen on y^{e} 28th Day of February last ammounting to y^{e} Sum of 58=18 : 4 : 1—
which Accounts were to be paid out of last years grants
Said accounts are Entered at pages : (293) & (294) of this Book—

[296] At a Gen^{ll} Town Meeting of y^{e} freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified according to Law to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting-Houſe in S^{d}: town on Monday ye Third Day of March Anno Domini 1766 For the Choice of Town Officers &

Tranſacting ye other Affairs mentioned in the Warrants for Said Meeting—
Voted & Choſe M^r: John Kemball Moderator for s^d Meeting

Voted & Choſe for Selectmen
- m^r John Kemball
- Capt: Jon^a: Brown
- m^r Moſes Stone
- m^r Jonas White
- m^r Jon^a Bemis Ju^r

Voted & Choſe for Town-Clerk Cp^t: Jon^a: Brown
Voted & Choſe for Town-Treaſurer Cp^t: Jon^a: Brown

Voted & Choſe for Aſseſsors—
- m^r John Kemball
- Capt: Jon^a: Brown
- m^r Moſes Stone

Voted & Choſe for Conſtables mifs^r David Sanger & Daniel Sawin
Voted & Choſe for Wardens miſs^us Thomas Harrington & Jedidiah Leath
Voted & Choſe Sealer of Leather m^r Thomas Pattin
Voted & Choſe Fence-Veiuers miſs^rs Thos: Learned & Jon^a: Stone
Voted & Choſe Surveyor of High-ways miſs^rs. Edward Richardſon & Sam^ll Hager Ju^r
Voted & Choſe Tythingmen miſ^rs Eliſha Larned & Stephen Harris
Voted & Choſe Hogrieves miſs^rs: John Whitney Ju^r & Ezekiel Whitney
Voted & Choſe Deerrieves miſs^rs Thos: Pattin & Jonas White
Voted & Choſe Surveyors of Timber &c miſ^rs: Nath^ll. Coollidge Ju^r Bez^l Learned & Jonas Coollidge Jr
Voted & Choſe Howards miſs^rs. Jedidiah White & Samuel Sanger
Voted & Choſe Clerks of ye Market miſs^rs David Bemis & Abijah Learned
Voted & Choſe Cullars of Hoops Staves Shingles &c miſ^rs Saml Cook & Bez^l Learned
Voted & Choſe Surveyor of Wheat m^r: Nathl: Harrington
Voted Saxton m^r Simon Haſtings — —
Voted that ye Saxton have two Contrabutions as Uſuall
Voted Swine Run at large ye Enſueing year

Voted & Choſe a Com^tt- to Examin the Treaſurers accounts — — — —
- m^r Nathl: Harrington
- m^r Moſes Stone
- m^r David Bemis

Put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer—

[297] Voted to Appropriate the Intereſt money as it was Last year (Viz) Five Shillings & four pence to y^e School y^e Remainder to the Miniſter—

Voted & Granted y^e^ Sum of £66=13=4 for a Sallary for y^e^ Rev^d^: Mr Seth Storer the Enſueing year y^e^ Intereſt mony appropriated to that Uſe to be part y^e^ Sum y^e^ Remainder to be aſeſt
Voted & Granted the Sum of £40 pounds to Support y^e^ Grammer School
Put to Vote whether the town will have any more Schools and it paſt in the affirmative—
Voted & Granted the Sum of £20 to Suppor ye other Schools
Voted & Granted ye Sum of £3 to Repair ye Great Bridge
Voted & Granted ye Sum of £30 to Repair ye High-ways & town-ways
Voted that ye Price of Labour in working out ye High-way Rate be 3/ P^r^: Day for a man and the Same for a Team—
Voted & Choſe y^e^ Surveyors of High-ways Collectors of y^e^ High-way Rate
Then m^r^: Thomas Learneds account Relating to the widow Mary Maddox was Read to y^e^ Town as was accepted & allowed
Then the town Creditors accounts ammounting to y^e^ Sum of £5=16 : 2=3 was Read and Accepted and the Same Sum granted to pay the Same—See Page (294)
Then the Town Voted & abated Moſes Biglo Rates in Conſtable Jon^a^: Stone's lists and Granted the Sum of :0:12:2:2 to make it good— — —
Put to Vote Whether the town will take m^r^ Joseph Patterſon Pew and pay him the prime Cost it Paſst in ye Affirmative
Put to Vote whether ye town will Chooſe a Committe to Manage the Schools in ye Town and it paſst in ye affirmative—

Voted & Choſe for S^d^: Committe—
- m^r^ David Bemis
- m^r^ Sam^ll^: White
- m^r^ Jon^a^: Stone
- m^r^ Nathl: Stone
- m^r^ Nathl Harrington

Voted to Put of the Seventeenth Article to may Meeting Next
Voted & Granted the Sum of £40 to Support poor—

[298] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^ Abijah Learned on the third Day of march Anno Domini 1766 After the Selectmen had Taken the oath Relating to the other Goverments Bills as Required by law the Following perſons after they had Taken ye S^d^: oath were Sworn to the faithfull Diſcharge of ye Several offices to which they were Choſen (Viz)
Jon^a^: Brown to ye offices of Town-Clerk Town Treaſurer & aſseſsor
miſs^rs^ John Kemball & Moſes Stone to ye offices of Aſseſsors
Jedidiah Leath to ye office of Warden Thomas Pattin Sealer of Leather Thomas Learned & Jonathan Stone to ye office of Fence Veiwers—
Edward Richardſon Surveyor of High-ways & Collector

Elifha Learned & Stephen Harris Tythingmen—
John Whitney Ju^{r} & Ezekiel Whitney Hogrieves
Thomas Pattin & Jonas White Deerrieves—
Nath^{ll}: Coollidge Ju^{r} Bez^{ll}. Learned & Jonas Coollidge Ju^{r}: Surveyors of Timber
Samuel Sanger a Howard—
David Bemis & Abijah Learned Clerks of ye Market
Samuel Cook & Bezaleel Learned Cullars of Hoops &c
Nathaniel Harrington Surveyor of Wheat
All Sworn by John Hunt Justice Peace

They agreed to meet again on Monday Next at this place in order to put out ye poor for ye year Enfueing, and to Sell the Clothing &c of Mary Preift Lately Deceaft (She being a poor perfon) in order to Defray the Charge that She has been to ye Town in times paft
March y^{e}: 10th: 1766 mifs^{rs}: David Sanger & Daniel Sawin after taking ye money Oath were Sworn to ye office of Conftables and m^{r}: Thomas Harrington to ye office of Warden—

and m^{r}: Samuel Hager Ju^{r} to ye office of Surveyor of High-ways and Collector—

By Jon^{a}: Brown Town Cle—

[299] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on y^{e}: 10th: Day of March 1766 at the Houfe of M^{r}: Abijah Learned—
They Agreed that m^{r}: Bezaleel Learned Take care of ye Great Bridge the Enfueing year — — — — — — — —
This being ye time for Putting out the poor for ye Enfueing year They Agreed with m^{r}: Joseph Coollidge to take care of and Board Samuel Coollidge one year at ye Rate of Thirty one Shillings Old Tenor P^{r}: Week — — — — — — — — —
and they Agreed with m^{rs}: Mary Benjamin to take Care of and Board the wid^{o} Mary Maddox one year at ye Rate of 21/4 P^{r}: week old Tenor s^{d}: Maddox is to have her work herSelf—
alfo Agreed with M^{r}: Phinehas Child to take Care of & Board the wid^{o} Lydia Warrin one year at ye Rate of 34/1: p^{r} week—old Tenor—And Likewife with m^{r}: Daniel Bond to take Care of & Board Mary Coollidge one year at the Rate of 11/^{1} P^{r}—Week old tenor—And it was further Agreed with the above mentioned perfons that their Should be no further allowance for s^{d}. poor perfons lett their Circumftances be what they will (Except in cafe of Sicknefs) and that the Severall perfons that are to Board the poor are to Remove them to their Houfes the Next day or as Soon they can. And ye Selectmen Directed ye Clerk to give them orders to Receive them which was Accordinly don the Same time — — —

P^{r}: Jon^{a}: Brown Town Cle—

and ye Selectmen Agreed to meet again on Monday Next at m^r: John Kemball to Tranfact Some other affairs—

[300] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on y^e: 17th: Day of March 1766 at ye Houfe of m^r John Kemball—They gave ye Surveyors their Deftricts as they were last year See y^e (259) page of this Book They ordered the Clerk to give ye prefent Clerks of the Markets an order on the last Clerks for the Scales & weights They Likewife ordered that a Letter be wrote & Sent to m^r: Jonas Berned not to Entertain Mary Coollidge any longer at ye Charge of the town which was don and Signed By order of ye Selectmen

Jon^a: Brown Town Clerk

At this Meeting ye Afsefsors made the following Return of their Afsefsing ye High-way Rate (Viz)

Watertown March y^e: 17: 1766

To ye Selectmen

afsesfors Certificate

Gent^ll.

We the Subscribers afsefsors have afseft y^e Ratable Pools & Estates in Said town in y^e Sum of Thirty Pounds being the grant made y^e last march Meeting for the Repairing y^e High-ways & Town-ways & have Committed Lists of y^e Same to the Several Collectors who are Surveyors of the High-ways (Viz)

To M^r: Samuel Hager Ju^r: the Sum of—	£15=15=10
and to Mr Edward Richardfon y^e Sum of—	14= 4 : 2
	30 : 0 : 0

with Warrants to levy & Collect the Same or See that it be faithfully worked out agreable to the Vote of the Town So as to make up their accounts with yourSelves or Succefsors on or before the last day of November Next Enfueing the Date hereof

John Kemball
Jon^a: Brown
Mofes Stone

[301] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at y^e Houfe of m^r Edward Richardfon on the 20th. Day of March Anno Domini 1766—They Signed an Order on the Treafurer to pay the Sum of twenty eight pounds three Shillings & one penney two farthing to y^e following Perfons in y^e followning Manner (Viz)

To m^r Thomas Learned the Sum of 3 : 0=9 : 2 it being in

full of what the town allow'd him for Board &c for the wid° Mary Maddox—To m^r John Sawin for mending &c for the wid° Lydia Warrin y^e Sum of 3/8 To m^r John Kemball for money lent to Carry on a law Suit with y^e Town of Boſton To m^r Caleb Prentiſs y^e Sum of £20. in part for keeping ye School ye last year and to m^r Nehemiah Maſon ye Sum of Two pounds eight Shillings which he paid Kezia Stone for keeping School—And the Selectmen being Informed that there was one Mary Bath Come to Reſide in Watertown at ye Houſe of ye wid° Murch She came last from Boſton Some time in ye preſent month her Circumſtances being Such that they Refuſe to accept her her to be an Inhabitant of Watertown therefor Ordered the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant to warn her out of town which was don the Same Evening—

P^r: Jon^a: Brown Town Cle—

[302] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of Mr Abijah Learned on the 16th Day of April 1766 — — — —
They Agreed that m^r: Jonas White Notify m^r: Ephraim Wheeler to Return the Child that he had Taken from ye wid° Murch's forthwith as it is tho^t: ye Mother of s^d Child is about to gitt a way & leave it to be maintained by the Town and to lett said Wheeler know that if he Neglects to Return it ye Selectmen are Determined to proceed with him as ye law Directs in Such case—Alſo it was Agreed that M^r: Jonas White & Jonathan Brown Apply to Samuel Livermore Esqr: for a Warrant to Remove one Mary Bath & her Infant Child to Boston it being ye last place of her Abode—M^r. Moses Stone was Deſired to go to ye wid° Murches & Inquire from whence a Child which is at her Houſe came from last and its name alſo to carry a Letter to Capt: Nathaniel Coollidge which was Signed by Selectmen Deſiring him forthwith to Send any woman or women which are at his houſe out of town and a Child which is at ye wid°: Murches which She Says Came from s^d: Coollidges—And the Selectmen being Informed that Samuel Coollidge was in great want of a Coat they Agreed y^t: m^r: Jonathan Bemis Ju^r: or m^r: Jonas White provide Some good Strong Cloath &c to make him one Likewiſe m^r Jonas White was deſired to Speak to m^r Bezaleel Learned forthwith to Mend Some holes that were in the Bridge at this Meeting m^r: John Sawin Sent in a Notification to acquaint ye Selectmen that he had on y^e: 31 day of March Last Received a Boy from Woburn into his Family Named Jonathan Larabee

[303] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of m^r Abijah Learned on Monday y^e: 12th: Day of May AD: 1766—
They Agreed to have a General Town Meeting on Monday the Nineteenth day of this preſen month of may at 2 of ye Clock in

the afternoon at ye publick Meeting-Houſe and Directed the Clerk to Issue out Warrants directed to ye Conſtables to warn ye Inhabitants who are Quallified to Vote in Town affairs to Aſsemble and meet at s^d: Time & place to Act on ye Following Articles (Viz) First to Chooſe a Moderator for s^d. Meeting (2) To hear ye Committes Report that were Appointed to Examin the Treaſurers Acc^tts- and to act thereon as the Town think fitt (3) To know the minde of ye Town whether they will Diſpoſe of any Pews or pews in the Meeting-Houſe which Revert to the town and to act any thing on ye affair they may think Proper— (4) To Hear ye Report of ye Selectmen Relating to the law Suit with ye Town of Boston and to act thereon as they think fitt (5) To know the minde of the Town Whether they will grant money to pay ye Conſtables for Collecting the Rates and do any thing Relating thereto as they may think proper (6) To Hear the pleas of any of The late Conſtables for Abating any perticular perſons Rates in their lists and to act any thing thereon as they May think Proper (7) For ye town to give their Committe Some Inſtructions Relating to ye Schools as they think Needfull (8) To know the minde of the town whether will Purchaſe ye the two acres of land (So Called) Near the Meeting-Houſe if it may be had for Such Uſes as the town may think fitt. and grant money therefor or Appropriate any money to that Uſe, and do any thing on the affair they may think proper (9) To know the minde of ye town whethe they will grant a Small Slip of land to David Sanger in lieu of a Small peice which he left out to accomodate the Road and act any thing Thereon they may think fitt (10) To paſs any Vote on a New list of Juriors as they See Mete (11) To agree how Mary Preiſts Cloathing Shall be Diſposed of—

And

[304] And alſo In Obſervance of a Precept Received from the High Sheriff of ye County of Middleſex for that purpose To Direct the Conſtables to warn all the freeholders & others who are Quallified to Vote in ye Choice of a Repreſentative to meet at ye Same place on S^d: Ninteenth day of May at Four of the Clock afternoon to Elect and Depute one Suitable Perſon to Repreſent them in a Great & General Court or Aſsembly Appointed to be Convened held and kept for his Majesty's Service at the Court Houſe in Boston on the Twenty eight Day of this Preſent May — —
Warrants were Issued out Accordingly

Pr Jon^a: Brown Town Cle—

They Likwiſe ordered the Clerk to Issue out a warrant to warn out of town one Suſanna Willard who Reſides at the houſe of Simon Whitney who came last from Newton in June or July

last which was Accordingly don and given to m^r David Sanger the Service don Jon^a: Brown Town Cle—
and Caution Enterd
May Court—

At a Gen^ll Town-Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled and meet at ye Publick-Meeting-Houſe in s^d town on Monday the 19th. day of May Anno: Domini 1766 for Tranſacting Some town affairs as Settforth in ye warrants — — — — — —
Voted & Choſe m^r: John Kemball Moderator for s^d: meeting
Voted and Accepted ye Committes Report on the Treaſurers accounts
Said Report is as follows (Viz)

Watertown May 6th: 1766

We the Subscribers Appointed by the Town to Examin The town Treaſurers accounts upon Examination find said

[305] Accounts well Voucht and Right Cast
Nath^ll Harrington
Moſes Stone } Com^tt-
David Bemis

Voted to Chooſe a Committe to Sell M^r: Patterſons Pew to the Highest bider — — — — — — — —

Voted and Choſe for s^d: Committe — { m^r Nath^ll: Harrington / m^r Jonas White / m^r Sam^ll: Fisk }

Put to Vote whether the town would act any further on this Article and it past in the Negative —
Then ye Selectmen made Verbal Report Relating to Sarah Learned that they had Obtained Judgment againſt the town of Boston and the town Voted and Accepted Said Report — — —
Then the fifth article was Reed—and after Some Debate thereon it was Put to Vote whether ye Town would act any thing thereon and it paſt in the Negative— — — — — —
Then they 6 article was Reed and they Voted and Abated in the Late m^r Benjamin Feltons lists Sam^ll- Raymonds Rates

	s	d	q
being	13	0	1
and Richard Trueſdals Rates it being ye Sum of	£0 : 17	9	0
and in Bezaleel Learneds lists Stonings Rates being	0 : 4	5	2
and one Honewells Rates being—	0 : 4	5	2
and Nath^ll Harris's Town and Miniſters Rates being—	0 : 4	5	2

and Stephen Harris's Rates being 0 : 10 : 5 : 1 and the Same Sums granted

Voted not to act on the Seventh Article — —
The eight Article was Reed and after Debate thereon the Vote was put whether the Town will purchase the two acres of land So Called and it past in the Negative — — — — — — — —
Voted that ye Selectmen or a Committe be appointed to lay out a Small Slip of land to David Sanger in answer to his Request — Voted that ye Selectmen be a Committe for that Purpose — —
Voted and Accepted a New list of Juriors which was Read — —
Voted to give Mary Preists Cloathing to her Daughter—

[306] At a Genll. Town Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Representative Regularly Assembled and Meet at the Publick Meeting-House in Said Town on Monday ye Ninteenth day of May AD: 1766—
The Selectmen being Present the Votes being Called for and brot: in were Sorted and Counted it Appeared that mr: Daniel Whitney was Chosen Representative for ye town by the Major Part of ye Voters then present

The Selectmen meet Near the land of mr David Sanger at the Corner near Treadways Bridge So Called and Staked out a Small peice of Land agreable to the Vote of the town at their meeting on ye: 19: day of May last Said peice of land is about ten feet in width in or near ye middle & Sloaps a way So as to Interfect his wall

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye House of mr Abijah Learned on ye: 23d Day of June AD 1766—
The following Acctts- were Exhibited to ye Select-men

Mr Jonas White for things procured for ye poor.	1 : 5 : 1—
Mr Jonathan Bemis Jur. for Cloth &c for a Coat for Samuel Coollidge — —	2 : 1 : 10 : 3
Mr Josiah Bisco for keeping School Six Weeks —	4 : 10 : — —
Mr Jonathan Learned Jur: for work & meterials at mr Storers	2 : 0 : 1 : 3
	9 : 17 : 1 : 2

And ye Selectmen gave an order to the Treasurer to pay the Said accounts—And they Appointed to meet again on Wedensday next at mr Edward Richardsons

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the House of mr: Edward Richardson on the day of June AD 1766—They ordered the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant to warn Hannah Colman and her Child Called Peter Robarts out of Town which was don on the 4 day of July following

Pr Jona: Brown Town Clerk

[307] The 1th- Day of July 1766 the Selectmen meet at the Houſe of Mr: Phinehas Child to take Some care about the wido Lydia Warrin and found She was in a low State of Health and Directed mr: Child to take the Best Care of her that he Could and provide Watchers for her as Need Shall Require and that he gitt Some Neſsecarys to Entertain Such as take care of her in the Night at mr Jonas White's at the town's Cost and Agreed that mr Child Shall have a proper allowance for his Extraordinary Trouble — — — —

And the Selectmen being Informed that mr: Samuel Nutting had taken in a Stranger a woman to Lyin at his Houſe and had not Notified the Selectmen thereof as the law Directs They ordered the Clerk to Send to him to lett him know that Unleſs he came to their next meeting and took Some care to Secure the town they Should proceed as the law provides in Such Cases—
Alſo It was Agreed that mr: Jonas White & mr Jona: Bemis Jur go to John Hunt Esqr: & See and Inquire into the Circumſtances of Sarah Learned and Report at their next meeting—
Likwiſe it was agreed that the Treaſurer Endeavor to git the Bill of Cost Taxt which was Recovered againſt the Town of Boston as Soon as may be— The Selectmen Agreed to meet again on Wedenſday come Seventt: at mr Jonas Whites at : 5 of the Clock afternoon

[308] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of Mr: Jonas White on Wedenſday ye: 9: day of July AD 1766—
It was Agreed that mr: John Kemball Apply to a Justice of Peace for a Warrant to Remove Sarah Learned to Boston it being ye place to which She belongs — — —
Alſo it was Agreed that mr: Jonas White provide Some Cloath for a pair Breeches for Samll: Coollidge & bring in his Account to ye Selectmen at their Next meeting

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of mr: Abijah Learned on ye: 30th: day of July AD 1766 — — —
Agreed yt. mr: John Kemball take advice Relating to ye wido: Boyington who was Brot: from Weston and left with mr: Jonathan Bemis Jur: on ye: 26 day of this preſent month and mr Kemball is to make Report at their next meeting
Alſo Agreed that mr Samuel Warrin Shall have what Cloathing &c that his mother left at her Death—
And they Appointed to meet again Next Tuesday at 7 of the Clock afternoon at this place—
At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of mr: Abijah Learned on the 5th- day of August AD: 1766 —
Mr: Kemball Reported that he had not Taken any advice Relating to ye Wido: Boyington as yet and mr Jonathan Bemis

Ju^{r}: Confented to Keep her two or three weeks longer or till another place can be provided —

[309] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houfe of Jonathan Brown on the 19th: Day of August AD 1766 —

They Agreed to have a Town-Meeting on the 22 day of ye Prefent month of August at the Publick-Meeting-Houfe at three of ye Clock in the afternoon to Act on the following Articles (Viz) First to Choofe a Moderator for s^{d}: meeting—

(2) To know the minde of the town whether they will Receive the wid^{o}. Boyington and her Children as Inhabitants of Watertown or whether they will Try the matter in the law with the town of Weston and grant money therefor and Act any thing Relating thereto as they may think Proper—

(3) To know the minde of the whether they will Confent to make good the Damages that Perticular Gentlemen in the town of Boston Suftained in the late Difturbances and to give their Reprefentative Such Inftructions Relating thereto as they may think proper——

At a General Town-Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Afsembled at the Publick Meeting-houfe on Fryday the 22 day of August AD 1766—

Voted and Chofe m^{r}: Nathl Harrington Moderator for s^{d}: Meeting—

Put to Vote whether the town will Try ye Matter Relating to the wid^{o} Mary Boyington & her Children being Inhabitants of Watertown with the town of Weston and it paft in the Negative

Then it was put to vote whether the town will put of ye Difpute Relating to m^{r} Edmund Fowls being Chargeable with ye Said wid^{o} Mary Boyington & her Children till Next meeting and it Paft in the Affeirmative

Then it was Voted y^{t} the Selectmen put out the Children till they Come of age as Cheap as they Can—Then the third article was Read and it was put to vote whether the town do Confent to make good the lofes as mentioned therein & it past in the Negative

[310] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham at ye Houfe of m^{r}: W^{m}- Goodhue in Waltham on first day of Sep^{r}: Anno Domini 1766 The accounts of Repairing ye Great Bridge in Watertown which had arifen Since ye last adjustment which was on ye Second Day of Sep^{r}: Anno Domini 1765 ammounting to ye Sum of £″14″5″2 farthings was Adjusted and Proportioned and Signed by ye Selectmen of Each town then Prefent

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^ Thomas Saltmarſh on ye first day of Sep^r^: Anno: Domini 1766

They Approbated miſs^ur^. Thomas Saltmarſh & Abijah Learned & Edward Richardſon to be Inholders and John Hunt Esqr & miſs^rs^ Cornelius Waldo Jonas White & Nathaniel Coollidge to be Retailors — — — —

At this meeting they Ordered the Clerk to Issue out a warrant to warn Abijah Learned & Abigail his wife & Mary & Abigail their Daughters & Nathaniel their Son out of town who Came last from Cambridg in ye month of Nov^r^: or December last past
At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of m^r^ Edward Richardſon on ye 19 day of Sep^r^: Anno: Domini 1766—

They agreed to Binde the Daughter of ye wid^o^ Mary Boyington to m^r^ Ebenezer Stone Junr till She is eighteen years of age & he to have eight pounds with her and he to take her the next day alſo to he is to Board S^d^: wid^os^ Son for y^e^ Preſent as Cheap as he can—

[311] At this meeting y^e^ Selectmen Signed an order on y^e^ Treaſurer to pay m^r^ Moſes Stone y^e^ Sum of £1 : 1 : 4 for y^e^ Gloves which procured for y^e^ wid^o^ Lydia Warrins funeral alſo the Sum of £12″6=1 to Mr Caleb Prentiſs it being in full of what is due to him for his Service for keeping School in Watertown—

At a Meeting of y^e^ Selectmen of Watertown & Waltham at y^e^ houſe of Mr William Goodhue on y^e^: 13th- of Oct^r^: AD 1766—
They Settled the Accounts that lay Open between y^e^ two towns Reſpecting the Poor and the Great Bridge and the Ballance which was due to Watertown Ammounting to one Pound Seventeen Shillings and one penney three farthings (Excluſive of ye Charge of ye wid^o^ mary Maddox) was paid to Watertown Treaſurer — — — — — — —

Witneſs our Hands

Isaac Stearnes Jonas Dix William Coollidge Jonathan Hammond Eliſha Livermore	Selectmen of Waltham	John Kemball Jon^a^: Brown Moſes Stone Jonas White Jonathan Bemis Ju^r^	Selectmen of Watertown

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown after ye other meeting was over they ordered ye Town Treaſurer to pay ye Sum of one pound eleven Shillings & Seven pence to ye Treaſurer of Waltham it being in full of their Account for Boarding &c for the wid^o^ Mary Boyington & Children— and They ordered y^e^

Clerk to Issue out a Warrant to warn one Moſes Sanders out of Town who Came last from Cambridge about ye month of November last and Reſides at the Houſe of the Late m^r^: Ebenezer Goddard
A Warrant was Issued out dated ye Same day—
Attest Jon^a^. Brown Town Cler

[312] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of Mr Edward Richardſon on ye 27 day of October 1766—
It was Agreed that m^r^: Moſes Stone provide a pair of Stockings for Samuel Coollidge and that m^r^ Jonas White provide a Pair of Woollen Shirts for him and that m^r^ Jonathan Bemis Ju^r^ Provide a pair of Breeches for S^d^: Coollidge—
1766 Nov^r^: y^e^. 8th day a warrant was Issued out to warn Jemima and Mary Worthylake out of town
Atteſt Jon^a^: Brown Town Cler—

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of m^r^ John Kemball on ye 28th- Day of Nov^r^: AD 1766—
They being Informed that Daniel Fullars family were in Suffering Circumſtances therefor they Drew a complaint Directed to John Hunt Esqr: Deſiring him to Issue out a Warrant Directed to a Conſtable to Remove s^d^: Fullar & family to Newton it being their last place of Abode— M^r^: Israel Whittemore Sent an account of 215 feet of planck which he bro^t^: to ye Great Bridge at ye Rate of 20/1 Pr Hundred which comes to £2 : 3 : 0—
and they ordered the Clerk to write an order in their name to the Selectmen of Weston to pay ye Same — — — — — —
Which was don accordingly Dated the 1 day of December following
Pr Jon^a^: Brown Town Cler—

Dec^r^: y^e^: 26: 1766 a warrant was Issued out Directed to m^r^ David Sanger to warn Sarah Chamberlain Elizabeth Phillips & Thos Cod out of town ye first Reſides at L^t^: Daniel Whitneys ye Second at m^r^ Thomas Clarks & ye other at the wid^o^. Mary Benjamins
Pr Jon^a^: Brown Town Cler—

[313] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of m^r^ John Kemball on the 12th Day of January Anno: Domini 1767
They being Informed that Samuel Coollidge was Dead—
They Agreed that his Funeral Should be the next day and that m^r^ Moſes Stone provide Nine paire of Gloves one for the Miniſter and a pair for each of the Bearers & two pair for ye two women that Aſsiſted in Laying him out alſo that m^r^ Stone Speak to ye Saxton to Dig a grave and Tole the Bell &c — — — — —

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of M^r^. Abijah Learned on y^e^. 19th: Day of Jan^ry^: Anno: Domini 1767—
They Signed Indentures for Binding Sam^ll^: Hackleton to m^r^: Jonas Bond ju^r^ and for Binding Mary Boyington to m^r^ Ebenezer Stone jun^r^ — — — — — — —
They alſo Signed an Order on the Town Treaſurer to pay the Sum of Five pounds Sixteen Shillings & two pence three farthings in the following manner to y^e^ perſons afternamed which Sums were Granted to them at the last march Meeting (Viz)

To m^r^ John Kemball — — —	0 : 17 : 10=3
To m^r^ Moſes Stone — — — — —	0 : 16 = 0=—
To Jon^a^: Brown — — — — —	3 : 9 = 4 —
To y^e^ wid^o^ Joanna Felton — —	0 = 9 =
To Dea^n^: Samuel Fisk — — —	0 = 9 = —
	£5=16= 2—3

[314] At a Meeting of y^e^ Selectmen at y^e^ Houſe of m^r^ Abijah Learned on Fryday the 13th: day of Feb^ry^: AD 1767
They Agreed to have a Publick Annual Town Meeting on Monday y^e^ Second Day of march Next at Ten of y^e^ Clock in the forenoon at y^e^ publick Meeting Houſe and ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to ye Conſtables to warn the Inhabitants who are Qualifyed to Vote in Town affairs to meet at s^d^. time & Place for the Ends following (Viz) First to Chooſe a Moderator for s^d^ Meeting (2) To Chooſe Selectmen Town-Clerk & Treaſurer and all other town officers Required by law to be Choſe in the month of march Annually (3) To Chooſe a Saxton & Agree how he Shall he paid for his Service— (4) To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer (5) To know ye minde of ye town Whether Swine Shall Run at Large ye Inſueing Year (6) To Chooſe a Committe to Examin the Treaſurers Accounts— (7) To Appropriate the money Coming to ye town ye preſent year the year Begining the Eleventh day of December last past (8) To Grant a Salary for ye Rev^d^: m^r^: Seth Storer for ye Year Enſueing ye Year begining the first day of March Next (9) To Grant money to Support the Grammer School or any Other Schools that may be Agreed Upon (10) To Grant money to Support the poor (11) To Grant money to Repair the great Bridge (12) To Hear the Accounts of thoſe perſons the town is Indebted to and grant money to pay the Same — — — (13) To Grant money to Repair the High-ways & Town-ways and to Chooſe the Surveyors Collectors of the High-way Rate and Determin the price of Labour in Working out s^d^: Rate (14) To Hear the Pleas of the Preſent or late Conſtables for Abating any Perticular Perſons Rates in their lists as the town may think fitt (15) To know the minde of ye town Whether will Chooſe a Committe to Manage the Schools or Act

any thing on the affair they may think proper (16) To know ye minde of the town whether they will proceed to Build a Woork-Houſe Agreable to their former Vote and Act any thing thereon they may think Proper (17) To know the minde of the town Whether they will Build a Pound and Act any thing on the Affair they may think Proper—

Eighteenth

[315] (18) To Hear the Report of the Committe that were Appointed to Sell m^r Patterſon Pew and to Appropriate the money Ariſeing by the Sale thereof as they may think proper — — And to Notify the Town Creditors to bring in their Accounts to the Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r Abijah Learned on Fryday the 27th day of this Inſtant February at two of the Clock afternoon—

Warrants were Issued out Accordingly

Attest Jon^a: Brown Town Clerk

At a Meeting of the Committe at the Houſe of m^r: Abijah Learned May y^e: 26: 1766—For Regulating the womans Schools in ye Town of Watertown is as follows (Viz) Four Schools Shall be open one at the Houſe of Mr Phinihas Stearnes one at the Houſe of Mr Jonathan Stone one at the Houſe of Enſign Ebenezer Stone & one at the Houſe of M^r: Samuel Cook or Els where the Committe Shall Appoint all to be kept at ye Same Rate they were the last Year—Alſo the Committe has Agreed that m^r: Nathaniel Bond Should keep the Engliſh & Grammer School in s^d: town for one Quarter of a Year Begining the Second Monday of June Next at ye Rate of forty Pounds Pr Year.

Nath^ll: Harrington P^r order of ye Com^tt:

At a Meeting of ye Committe for Regulating the Schools in Watertown Said Committe Agreed to open another Womans School in s^d: town Near the Bridge to keep five Weeks: and Appointed m^r: David Bemis one of s^d: Committe to provide a place & a Miſtreſs. The School was accordingly openned at the Houſe of m^r: Eliſha Learned, To be kept by Mary Prentice on Monday the 23^d: of June—

Watertown June 20th: 1766

David Bemis P^r: Order of ye Committe—

[316] Watertown Sep^r: ye 10: 1766

At a Meeting of the Committe for Regulating the Grammer and Engliſh School in s^d town Agreed by the Committe that m^r: Nath^ll: Bond keep the Engliſh and Grammer School in s^d: town for another Quarter at the Same Rate

Pr Order of ye Committe Nath^ll Harrington

At a Meeting of ye Committe for Regulating the English and Grammer School in s^d^. Town Agreed by ye Committe that M^r^: Nath^ll^: Bond keep the Englifh & Grammer School in Said town another Quarter of a Year at the Same Rate
Watertown Nov^r^: 24th: 1766

Pr Order of ye Committe Nathl: Harrington

At a Meeting of the Committe for Rugulating the School at the Houfe of M^r^: Abijah Learned—Agreed by the Committe y^t^ M^r^: Josiah Bifco keep the Englifh School in Watertown for Seven weeks at the School-Houfe in the East end of s^d^: Town at the Rate of Ten Dollars for Four weeks & so in Proportion for the Rest of ye time, Said Bisco to begin Next monday

Pr Order of ye Com^tt^: Nath^ll^: Harrington

Watertown Dec^r^: 10th: 1766

A warrant was Issued February the 25th: Anno Domini 1767 to warn Jonathan Larabee Sufanna Robertfon & Elizabeth Woolfon out of town and given to Conftable Daniel Sawin

Attest Jon^a^: Brown Town Cle—

Watertown Feb^ry^: ye 2: 1767

At a Meeting of the School Committe at the Houfe of Mr Abijah Learned. Said Committe Agreed with m^r^: John Hunt ju^r^ to keep the writeing School Six Weeks for four pounds Ten Shillings at the Houfe of m^r^ Samuel Cook Said School to be opened February y^e^. 9th-

David Bemis p^r^ order of ye Com^tt^:-

[317] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houfe of m^r^. Abijah Learned on Fryday the 27th- day of February Anno: Domini 1767

The perfons that kept the poor bro^t^: in their Accounts which are as follows (Viz) Joseph Coollidge for Boarding Sam^ll^ Coollidge From Feb^ry^: y^e^. 28th. 1766 to January y^e^: 12th: 1767 being 45 weeks & two days at 31/1 old Tenor p^r^ week which

Comes to — — — — —	70 : 5 = 0
and for making a Coat & other things — — —	4 : 12 : 9
	74 : 17 = 9
and for Extra Charges £18—0—	18 : 0 : 0
Old Tenor—	92 : 17 : 9
all which in Lawfull money Comes to — — —	12 : 2 : 4 : 1

And Phinehas Child bro^t^: in his Account for Boarding the

wid° Lydia Warrin from the Eighteenth of March 1766 to the fifteenth day of July following it comes to y^e^
Sum of — — — — —— — — — — — — — 3 : 17 : 2 : 2
and for Extra Charge in time of Sickneſs &c — 3 : 0 : 0 : 0

6 : 17 : 2 : 2

Alſo Daniel Bond bro^t^: in his account for Boarding Mary Coollidge from the Eighteenth of march 1766 to ye 18th- of march 1767 being fifty two weeks and for Cloathing &c which Come to — — — — — — — — 4″ 13″ 9
Likewiſe the wid° Mary Benjamin Sent in her account for Boarding the wid° Mary Maddox one Year — — 7 : 7 : 10 : 2
Jonathan Bemis Ju^r^: bro^t^: in his account for Boarding the wid° Mary Boyington & her two Children Eight week at 6/1 p^r^ week — — — — 2 : 8 : 0
and for Cloathing procured for Samuel Coollidge — — — — — — 0 : 17 : 7 : 2

Total— £3 : 5″ 7″ 2

Mr Ebenezer Stone ju^r^ bro^t^ in his Acc^tt^- for Boarding the wid° Maddox two weeks at 2/4 ¾ farthings p^r^ week which Comes to — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — 0 : 4″ 9″ 2
and for Boarding Jacob Boyington 23 Weeks at 3/1 p^r^ week — — — — — —— — — 3 : 9″ 0″ 0—
and for Some Cloathing for s^d^: Child — — — 0″ 8″ 8—

£4 : 2″ 5 : 2

And Samuel Benjamin bro^t^: in An Account for Boarding & Nurſing Ruth Maddox at his Houſe two weeks and a half — — — — — — — — — — — — — — 0 : 12″ 0″ 0
Jonas Barnerd bro^t^: his Account for Boarding Mary Coollidge two weeks at: 2/1 p^r^ week — — — — — 0″ 4″ 0—
John Sawin bro^t^: his Account for Boarding the wid° Lydia Warrin one week — — — — — — — — — — 0″ 4″ 3″ 2
Jonas White bro^t^: his Account Cloathing for the Poor which he procured and other things ammounting to the Sum of — — — — — 1 : 2 : 4 —

Carried over— Total £40″ 11″ 10″ 3

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bro^t^ over— 40 : 11″ 10 : 3

M^r^ Moſes Stone bro^t^: in an Account of his Expences in providing things for the poor and for mending the School-Houſe Glaſs and other things Ammounting to the Sum of—£2″ 0″ 6—

Jonathan Brown bro^t^ in an Account of Cash paid Jonathan Sewall Esqr for Advice Relating to Sarah Learned and the Children

of ye the wid^o Mary Boyington &c — — — £1 : 15″ 4—
Stephen Harris bro^t in an Account for Labour at the Meeting-Houſe—which comes to — — — — — 0″ 7″ 8

The Sum Total of y^e beforegoing Accounts is— £44″ 15″ 4″ 3

There was further the following Accounts bro^t in to be laid before y^e Town (Viz) — — — — — — — —

To Bez^ll: Learned for Labour & Meterials at y^e Great Bridge — — — —	1 : 18 : 5=2
To D^r: Marſhal Spring for Medicine for y^e poor — — — —	0″ 15″ 0—
To Simon Haſtings for Sundrys of Labour &c for y^e town .	1 : 10 : 0
To Jedidiah Leath for work for y^e town — —	0 : 7 : 8—
To miſsu^rs Nathl Harrington & John Kemball y^t they paid m^r Trowbridg	0 : 6 : 0—
To Jon^a: Stone for Serving Conſtable in ye Year 1764—	1 : 0 : 0
To John Kemball for Serving Aſseſsor ye Year past — — — —	0 : 16 : 0
To Moſes Stone for Ditto — — — — —	0 : 16 : 0
To Jon^a: Brown for Serving Treaſurer & Aſseſsor	3 : 9 : 4—
	£10 : 18 : 5″ 2

[319] At a Gen^ll Town-Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in Town affairs Regularly Aſembled and Meet at the publick-Meeting-Houſe in s^d: town on Monday the Second Day of March AD: 1767 for the Choice of town officers & other affairs as Setforth in ye warrants for s^d: Meeting—

Voted & Choſe m^r: Nath^ll: Harrington Moderator for s^d: meeting

Voted & Choſe for Selectmen
- Jon^a: Brown
- m^r John Kemball
- m^r Moſes Stone
- m^r Jonas White
- m^r Jon^a Bemis ju^r

Voted & Choſe Jon^a: Brown Town-Clerk & Town Treaſurer

Voted & Choſe Aſseſsors—
- Jon^a: Brown
- m^r John Kemball
- m^r Moſes Stone — — — —

Voted & Choſe for ye first Conſtable m^r Josiah Bright and then Voted to Excuſe him ye preſent year then Voted & Choſe

m^{r}: Jonas Barned then Voted to excuſe him ye preſent year. Then Voted & Choſe m^{r}: Samuel Soden—
Then Voted and Choſe m^{r} William Bond and upon his Request Voted to Excuſe him from Serving the preſent year then Voted & Choſe m^{r}: Elijah Bond
Voted & Choſe miſs^{rs} Phinehas Child & Thomas Patten Wardens
Voted & Choſe m^{r}: Isaac Sanderſon Sealer of Leather
Voted & Choſe miſs^{rs}. W^{m}- Bond & Jonas Bond ju^{r} Fence Viewers Viewers
Voted & Choſe miſs^{rs} Jonas Barned & Joseph Coollidge Surveyors of High-ways
Voted & Choſe miſs^{rs} Sam^{ll} Sanger & Sam^{ll} Barnerd Tythingmen—
Voted & Choſe miſs^{rs} John Chenery & Fanning Learned Hogrieves—
Voted & Choſe miſs^{rs} Nath^{ll} Coolidge Jonas Coollidge ju^{r} David Sanger and Bezaleel Learned Surveyors of Timber Planck &c—
Voted & Choſe miſs^{rs} Sam^{ll}: Warrin & Simon Coollidge ju^{r} Howards—
Voted & Choſe miſs^{rs} Smith Prentice & Bez^{ll} Learned Clerks of ye Market
Voted & Choſe miſs^{rs} Sam^{ll} Cook & Smith Prentice Cullars of Hoops & Staves &c—
Voted & Choſe m^{r}: Eliſha Learned Surveyor of Wheat
Voted & Choſe m^{r} Simon Haſtings Saxton
Voted that he have two Contrabutions as Uſual for his Service

[320] Then the Votes were put in for a County Treaſurer—
Then the town being Informed that m^{r} Elijah Bond was in a Poor State of Health and a Motion being made & Seconded it was put to vote whether the town will Excuſe him from Serving Conſtable the preſent year and it past in ye affiermative—
Then Voted and Choſe m^{r}: John Stearnes a Conſtable Then at his Deſire Voted to Excuſe him from Serving ye preſent year Then a Motion was made & Seconded and put to Vote Whether the town will Excuſe m^{r}: Samuel Soden from Serving Conſtable the preſent Year and it past in the Affirmative—

Then it was put to Vote whether the town will Reconſider all the Votes that have been past for Chooſeing or Excuſeing Conſtables at this meeting and it past in the affirmative—
Then it was put to Vote whether it be the minde of the town that this Meeting with the Remaining Buſineſs be Adjourned till tomorrow at one of ye Clock afternoon at this place and it past in ye affirmative—
Then the Moderator Declared it Accordingly Adjourn'd

This Day Jonathan Brown was Sworn into the offices of Town-Clerk Town Treaſurer & Aſseſsor before John Hunt J: peace

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^: Abijah Learned the Same Evening after the Selectmen had taken the Oath Required by law Relating to ye other Governments Bill then the perſons afternamed after taking ye Same oath were Sworn to the faithfull Diſcharge of the Reſpective offices into which they were this day Choſen (Viz) — — — — —
miſs^rs^: John Kemball & Moſes Stone Aſseſsors — — —
miſs^rs^ Phinehas Child & Thomas Patten Wardens
m^r^: Isaac Sanderſon Sealer of Leather — — — — — —
miſ^rs^. William Bond & Jonas Bond ju^r^ Fence viewers—
miſs^rs^ Jonas Barnerd & Joseph Coollidge Surveyors of Highways

[321] m^r^: Samuel Barnerd Tythingman — — — — —
m^r^ Fanning Learned Hogrieve — — — — — —
miſs^rs^ Nath^ll^: Coollidge Jonas Coollidge Ju^r^ David Sanger & Bez^l^. Learned Surveyors of Timber &c
miſs^rs^: Samuel Warren & Simon Coollidge ju^r^ Howards — —
m^r^- Bezaleel Learned Clerk of the Market — — — —
m^r^: Samuel Cook Cullar of Hoops & Staves &c —
m^r^ Eliſha Learned Surveyor of Wheat — — — — —
By Jon^a^: Brown Town Clerk —

At a Gen^ll^: Town-Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown on y^e^ the third Day March Anno: Domini 1767—after the Meeting was Opened—then it was put to Vote Whether the town will Chooſe Collectors of Tax's and it past in the Affirmative —
Voted & Choſe miſs^rs^ John Stearns & Josiah Bright Conſtables—
Voted that Swine $^{be}_{\Lambda}$ Shut up the preſent Year — —

Voted & Choſe a Comm^tt^: to Examin y^e^ Treaſr^s^ Acc^tts^: { m^r^ Nathl Harrington, m^r^ Moſes Stone, m^r^ Saml White }

Voted to Appropriate the Intereſt money as it was last year (Viz) Five Shillings & four pence to y^e^ School & y^e^ Remainder to y^e^ miniſter
Voted & Granted the Sum of 66″ 13″ 4 for a Sallary for ye Rev^d^ m^r^ Seth Storer the Enſueing year the Intereſt money Appropriated to that Uſe to be part the Remainder to be aſseſt — —
Voted & Granted the Sum of 40″ 0″ 0 to Support ye Grammer & Engliſh School
Then put to Vote whether the town will have any more Schools and it past in the Affirmative

Voted & Granted ye Sum of 30 pounds to Support S^d^: Schools—
Voted & Granted the Sum of 20 pounds to Support ye poor—
Voted & Granted the Sum of 4 pounds to Repair ye Great-Bridge
Voted & Granted the Sum of 30 pounds to Repair ye High-ways & Town-ways
Voted & Choſe ye Surveyors of High-ways Collectors of ye High-way Rate
Voted that ye price of Labour in Working out the High-way Rate be the Same it was the last year — — — — —

[322] The Accounts of thoſe Perſons the town is Indebted to were Read ammounting to the Sum of 10″ 18″ 5″ 2 and were allow'd and the Same Sum was Granted to pay the Same—
then the Extra Charges of Phinehas Child Relating to ye wid^o^ Lydia Warran and Joseph Coollidge for Samuel Coollidge ware laid before the town and Accepted — — — — —
Voted & abated william Goddings Rate in Conſtable Sam^ll^ Whites lists and Granted the Sum of 0 : 15 6 : 2 to make it good—

Voted and Choſe for a Committe to manage ye Schools
- m^r^: Nathl Harrington
- dea^n^ Sam^ll^ Fisk
- m^r^ W^m^- Bond
- m^r^ Sam^ll^ White
- m^r^ Nathl Stone

Put to Vote Whether the town will proceed to Build a Work-Houſe agreable to their former Vote and it past in ye Negative
Put to Vote whether the town will Build a New pound as Soon as Conveniently may be and it past in the Affirmative
Then Voted to Chooſe a Committe to Build S^d^: pound—

Voted and Choſe for Said Committe
- m^r^: Jon^a^ Bemis ju^r^
- Jon^a^: Brown
- m^r^ Jonas White

Voted that the Committe Endeavor to finde what the Cost of Said pound will be either of Stone or Timber and Report at next May Meeting — — — — —
Then the Report of ye Committe that were appointed to make Sale of m^r^ Patterſons Pew was Read to the town and they Voted and Accepted of ye Same See ye Report at ye Next page
Then Voted & Choſe miſs^rs^: Sam^ll^ Soden & Edward Harrington Ju^r^ Collectors of Tax's—who with ye Conſtables (Viz)
Josiah Bright & John Stearnes and each of the perſons after-Named were Sworn to their Several offices to which they were Choſen Samuel Sanger Tythingman Smith Prentice Clerk of ye Market & Cullar of Hoops & Staves &c—
all Sworn by Jon^a^: Brown Town Clerk

[323] The Report of the Com^{tee}: Relating to the Sale of Patterſons Pew—

We the Subscribers being Appointed by the town to Diſpoſe of the pew in the Meeting-Houſe that did belong to m^{r} Joseph Patterſon, Appointed a Meeting for that Purpose to be at the Houſe of m^{r} Abijah Learned Innh^{der} on the fourteenth Day of July—and Accordingly met and Sold Said Pew to m^{r} Isaac Sanderſon for Twelve pounds and eight pence Lawfull money, for which he gave Notes to the town Treaſurer

Watertown Feb^{ry}: 24th: 1767

Com^{tt}: { m^{r} Nath^{ll} Harrington
m^{r} Jonas White
dea^{n} Sam^{ll} Fisk }

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{r} Abijah Learned on the Ninth Day of March Anno: Domini 1767—
for putting out the poor &c. They Agreed with m^{r} Daniel Bond to take Care of & Board Mary Coollidge one year more at the Rate of 12^{s}/6 pence old Tenor p^{r} Week—alſo they Agreed with m^{r} Stephen Harris to take Care of & Board the wid^{o} Mary Maddox one year at Rate of 24/6 old Tenor p^{r} week and they are to have no further Allowance lett their Circumſtances be what they will Except in Case of Sickneſs—
They Signed on Order on the Treaſurer to pay the Sum of thirty pounds to m^{r}: Nathl Bond for his keeping School in Watertown Nine Months, alſo one other order to pay ye Sum of £44″ 15″ 4″ 3 to Sundrey perſons it being in full of their Accounts which was laid before ye Selectmen on y^{e}: 27 day of last month See the (317) Page. They alſo Directed the Clerk to Issue out a warrant to warn Ebenezer Bateman & his Family and Elizabeth Bemis out of Town which was Accordingly don —

Pr Jon^{a}: Brown Town Clerk

Causions Enter'd march Court 1767

The Same Evening m^{r} John Chenery was Sworn to the Office of Hogrieve

By Jon^{a}: Brown Town Cle

Agreed that m^{r} Bezaleel Learned take care of ye Great Bridge the Enſuing Year—

[324] Watertown March y^e: 18th: 1767
Gentlemen

Afsesfors Certificate

Thefe are to Certifie that we ye Subscribers Afsefsors of Said Town have Afseft ye Ratable Pools & Estates in s^d: Town in ye Sum of Thirty pounds and have Committed lists of s^d: Afsefsment to ye Surveyors of ye High-ways who are the Collectors of the High-way Rate (Viz)—
To m^r Jonas Barned the Sum of — 15″ 16″ 10—
And to m^r: Joseph Coollidge ye Sum
of — — — 14″ 3″ 2—

£30″ 0″ 0

with Lawfull warrants to levy and Collect ye Same or See that it be faithfully worked out in Repairing ye High-ways—Agreable to the Vote of the town So as to make up the whole Account of their working or Collecting with your Selves or Succefsors on or before the last Day of Nov^r: Next Enfueing the Date Hereof — — — — — —

Jon^a: Brown
John Kemball } Afsefsors
Mofes Stone

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houfe of m^r: Abijah Learned on the 23th Day of March Anno: Domini 1767—
They Agreed with m^r Jonathan Whitney to take Jacob Boyington Son to ye late Jacob Boyington & Bring him up till he is twenty one Years of Age and to Learn him ye Trade of Cord wainer which he ye Said Whitney now follows, and he is to have ye Sum of Nine pounds paid him by the town therefor—And ye Selectmen ordered the Clerk to give him an order to Receive ye Said Child and what Cloathing belongs to it, of Mr Ebenezer Stone Ju^r Said order was given at ye Same time

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houfe of m^r: Jon^a: Bemis J^r on y^e: 31 Day of march Anno: Domini 1767 ——
The Afsefsors made Return of their Afsefsing ye High-way Rate which was accepted—See above — —

[325] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houfe of m^r Abijah Learned on the 13th Day of April AD 1767—
They Signed Indentures for Binding Jacob Boyington to m^r Jonathan Whitney and for Binding Elizabeth Boyington to m^r Samuel Phipps of Cambridge—
At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of m^r Thos. Saltmarfh on y^e: 8th: Day of May Anno: Domini 1767—
They Signed an order on ye Town Treafurer to pay the Sum of £19″ 10″4 to the Several perfons that kept the Englifh Schools the Last year—and the Sum of £1″ 11″ 8 to m^r Ben-

jamin Harrington of Weston it being for 156 feet of Planck which he bro^{t}: to the Great Bridge in Watertown—alſo the Sum of £3″9″0 to m^{r} Jonas Harrington ju^{r} of s^{d}: Weston for 345 feet of Planck which he bro^{t}: to S^{d}: Bridge — — — — —

The Selectmen haveing Received a Precept from the High Sheriff of ye County of Middleſex Requiring them to Aſsemble the Inhabitants of Watertown forth with to Elect and Depute one or more Suitable perſon or perſons to Repreſent them in a Great and General Court or Aſsembly appointed to be Convened held & kept for his Majesty's Service at ye Court Houſe in Boston on Wedensday y^{e}: 27 Day of May Currant—They Ordered ye Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to the Several Conſtables to warn the Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative to aſsemble & meet together at the publick Meeting Houſe in Watertown on Monday the Eighteenth Day of may Next at 2 of ye Clock afternoon for the purposes above Said—

They alſo Agreed to have another Gen^{ll} Town Meeting on the Same day and at ye Same place at 3th of the Clock afternoon and ordered ye Clerk to

[326] To Issue out Warrants Directed to the Conſtables to warn all ye Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to Aſsemble and meet together at s^{d}: time and place to act on the following Articles (Viz) — — — — —

First to Chooſe a Moderator for Said Meeting—

(2^{ly}) To Hear the Report of ye Committe that were appointed to Examin the town Treaſurers accounts and act any thing thereon they may think proper—(3^{ly}) To Hear the Report of the Committe that were appointed the last march Meeting to Build a New pound. and for the town to act any thing further thereon they may think proper—

(4^{ly}) For the town to Appropriate the money Ariſing by ye Sale of m^{r} Joseph Patterſons Pew for Such Uſes as they may think proper— (5^{ly}) For to grant money to pay miſs^{rs} Ebenezer Stone ju^{r} and Jonathan Whitney for taking two of ye wid^{o} Boyingtons Children to bring up Agreable to their Contract with the Selectmen (6^{ly}) To know the minde of ye town whether they will Chearge m^{r} Edmund Fowle with the Support of ye wid^{o} Mary Boyington and Children & for ye town to act any thing Relating thereto they may think proper (7^{ly}) To know the minde of the town Whether whether they will Apply to ye General Court to have the Fiſhery in Watertown put under Some Regulation to prevent the many Quarrils & Diſputes that ariſe thereby and to Act thereon as they think best (8^{ly}) For the town to grant money to pay thoſe perſons that were Choſen Collectors of Tax's if the town think fitt and to give then Such In-

ſtructions Relating thereto as may be thoᵗ: proper and for the town to Act any thing thereon as they may think best (9ˡʸ) To Hear the Petition of James Hay praying the town to grant him Some Releif under his preſent Needy Circumſtances and for the town to act any thing thereon they may think best—

Warrants were Issued out Accordingly

Pʳ Jonᵃ: Brown Town Cle—

[327] At this meeting they ordered yᵉ Clerk to Issue out a warrant to warn Anna Lawrance who Reſides at the houſe of mʳ Jedidiah Leath & Amme Traſk who Resides at the houſe of mʳ Ebenezer Stetſon & Peter Farnſworth who Reſides at the houſe Lᵗ: Daniel Whitney to Depart forth with out of Watertown — — — —

a Warrant was Issued out accordingly and given to Conſtable John Stearns

Pʳ Jonᵃ: Brown Town Cle

And the Selectmen Signed an order on yᵉ Treaſurer to pay the Sum of £1″ 11″ 8 to mʳ: Benjamin Harrington for 156 feet of planck which he broᵗ: to the Great Bridge — —

alſo yᵉ Sum of £3″9″ to mʳ Jonas Harrington juʳ for 345 feet of planck which broᵗ: to yᵉ Said Bridge — — — — — —

At a Genˡˡ Town-Meeting of yᵉ freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Qualified to Vote in yᵉ Choice of a Repreſentative Regularly Aſsembled and meet at yᵉ Publick Meeting-Houſe on Monday yᵉ Eighteenth Day of May AD 1767 The Votes being Called for were broᵗ: in & Sorted & Counted it appeared that mʳ Daniel Whitney was Choſen Repreſentative for yᵉ Year Enſueing—

At a Genˡˡ Town-Meeting of yᵉ freeholders & other Inhabitants of of Watertown who are Qualified to Vote in Town affairs Regularly Aſsembled & meet together at yᵉ publick meeting-Houſe in sᵈ: Town on Monday yᵉ: 18ᵗʰ Day of may Anno: Domini 1767 for Tranſacting Sevaral as Setforth in the Warrants for sᵈ: Meeting

Voted & Choſe mʳ: John Remington Moderator for sᵈ: Meeting Meeting

Voted & accepted yᵉ Committes Report on yᵉ Town Treaſurer Accᵗᵗˢ- which Report is as follows (Viz) See yᵉ next page—

[328] Watertown May 6ᵗʰ 1767

We the Subscribers Appointed by the Town to Examin the Treaſurers Accounts upon Examination find Said Accᵗᵗˢ- well Vouchᵈ & Right Cast—

Nathˡˡ Harrington
Moſes Stone } Comᵗᵗᵉᵉ-
Samˡˡ White

Then ye Com^ttee^. Appointed to Build a pound Informed ye town that they Could have one Builded with Stone for Ten pounds or of Timber for Six pounds and after Some Debate thereon it was put to Vote whether s^d^: pound Should be Built with Stone and it paſt in the affirmative—
Then Voted and Appropriated the money that aroſe by the Sale of m^r^ Patterſons pew (or So much as Needfull to Build s^d^: pound—
Voted & Granted ye Sum of £8 pounds to pay m^r^ Ebenezer Stone ju^r^ for Bringing up one of ye wid^o^ Mary Boyingtons Children—alſo Voted Granted ye Sum of £9 pounds to pay m^r^ Jonathan Whitney an other of s^d^ Children— — —
Then the Article Relating to Edmund Fowles being Chearged with the Support of ye wid^o^ Boyington & Children was Read and after Some Debate thereon The Vote was put whether it be the minde of the town that m^r^. Edmund Fowle Shall be Cheargable with the Support of s^d^: wid^o^ Boyington & Children and it past in the Negative—
Then the Seventh Article was Read and after Debate thereon it was Put to Vote whether the town will Apply to ye General Court to have their Fiſhery put under Some Regulation and it paſt in the Affiermative—
Then Voted and Choſe Jonathan Brown to Joine with the Repreſentative in Petitioning the Great & General Court to have Said Fiſhery put under Some Regulation

[329] Then the 8th. Article was Read Relating to the Collectors and after Debate thereon Voted and Granted the Sum of Six pounds to pay them for their Service—Then it was Voted that they Should give good Securyty for their good behaviour in s^d^ Truſt—Voted that the Selectmen take Said Security — — — alſo Voted that ye Selectmen Set the time for ye Collectors to make up their Accounts with ye Treaſurer &c—
Then the Ninth Article with m^r^: James Hays Petition was Read and after longe Debate thereon it was Put to Vote Whether the Town will grant the prayer of s^d^: Petition and it paſt in ye Negative—
The Buſineſs of ye Meeting being over the Moderator Declared the Meeting to be Diſsolved— — — — —
At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of ye wid^o^ Mary Learned on Monday the 25th Day of may Anno: Domini 1767
They being Informed that the French Family belonging to Watertown were Deſirous of going to Settle in Canady & there being an Opportunity therefor it was Agreed that m^r^ Jon^a^- Bemis ju^r^ one of ye Selectmen Should Inquire what the Cost of their Paſsage will be and make Report as Soon as may be to the Selectmen

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on the 27th- Day of s^d^: May at the Same place m^r^ Bemis Informed the Selectmen that he had been at Boston and Confeer'd with the Maſter of the Veſsell that was going to Canady who Informed him that he would Carry them for three Dollars & an half a head—and it was Agreed that m^r^ John Kemball & m^r^ Jon^a^: Bemis ju^r^ Should go to Boston and Agree for their paſsuage &c—

[330] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the houſe of m^r^ John Kemball on the 26th. day of June AD 1767—

They being Informed that Ruth Maddox was Sick at malden It was Agreed that m^r^ Moſes Stone provide at place for her and that m^r^ John Kemball Inquire Whether She can be Removed and if So to See that She be Removed as Soon as may be—

at this Meeting the Selectmen Signed an order on ye Treaſurer to pay m^r^ Jonathan Bemis ju^r^ ye Sum of 3″ 12- Shillings which he paid for ye paſsuage of the French Family to Canady—alſo five Shillings & Seven pence one farthing for a Rope for the Meeting Houſe Bell

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on the 24th- Day of August Anno: Domini 1767—at the Houſe of ye wid^o^ Mary Learned They Agreed that m^r^ Jonas White Should pay the Sum of Thirty Shillings as Rent for the wid^o^ Lydia Warrins thirds—at this meeting they Signed an order on the Treaſurer To pay m^r^: Samuel Maſon the Sum of £0″ 10″ 10″ 2 farthings —

At a Meeting the Selectmen at the Houſe ye wid^o^ Mary Learned on the 14th Day of Sep^r^: 1767 the Conſidered the list of licenſed perſons the last year and Signed their approbation of Renewing them again—alſo they Approbated m^r^ Bez^ll^: Learned and Recommeded him to the Seſsions for a licence to Retaile Spiritous Liquors

[331] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham at the Houſe of Mr Josiah Gleaſon Innholder in Waltham on Monday the 21st Day of Day of Sep^r^: Anno: Domini 1767—

The accounts for Repairing ye Great Bridge in Watertown which had Ariſen Since the last Adjustmen which was on the first Day of Sep^r^: 1766 Ammounting to the Sum of £9″ 2″ 1″ 2 farthing were Proportioned & Adjusted and Signed by the Selectmen of each Town See Lib^r^ the (2) Page y^e^ (67) in ye Treaſury—

At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the houſe of ye wid^o^ Mary Learned on the 18th- Day of November Anno Domi 1767 the Selectmen took Security of the Collectors of Tax's for their faithfull Performance of their Trust

[332] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of m^r^ Jonas White on the 4th: Day of January Anno: Domini 1768
They Signed an order on ye town Treaſurer to pay the Sum of 10″ 18″ 5″ 2 farthings to the town Creditors which was Granted them the last March meeting
And they Agreed to have a Publick Town Meeting on Monday the Eleventh Day of this preſent January at the Publick meeting-houſe at twelve of ye Clock at noon and ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to the Several Conſtables to warn all the Inhabitans of Watertown who are Qualified to Vote in town affairs to meet at time and place before mentioned to act on the following Articles (Viz)—
First to Chooſe a Moderator for Said meeting
(2^ly^) To know the minde of the town Whether they will Build a Work-Houſe this preſent year and if they Agree thereto then to Grant money therefor or Appropriate Some money Belonging to the town to Said uſe, and act anything Relating thereto as they may think best. (3^ly^) To know whether ye Town will accept of m^r^ Jonathan Stones Pew in the Meeting-Houſe & if So, then to Determin how they will Diſpoſe of it again, and Act anything thereon as they may think Proper (4^ly^) To know ye minde of the town whether they will Agree upon any Meaſures to Promote Induſtery, Oeconomy & Manufactures thereby to prevent the Unneceſsary Importation of European Commodities which threaten this Country with Poverty & Ruin and act any thing Relating thereto as they think fitt

(5^ly^)

[333] (5^ly^) For the town to give their Repreſentative Some Inſtructions at this time if they think fitt — — — —
Warrants were Issued out Accordingly
By Jon^a^: Brown Town Cler

The Selectmen agreed to meet at Six of ye Clock in ye Evening after the Town Meeting is over (to See what weareing Apparril was left by m^r^ Samuel Coollidge) at the Houſe of m^rs^: Mary Learned

At a Gen^ll^: Town-Meeting of freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Qualified to Vote in Town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick-Meeting Houſe in S^d^: Town on Monday ye Eleventh Day of January Anno: Domini 1768 — Voted & Choſe m^r^ Samuel Fisk Moderator for s^d^: Meeting
Then ye Article Relating to Building a Work-Houſe was Read and after Some Debate thereon it was Put to Vote whether the town will build a Work-Houſe this preſent year and it paſt in ye Negative
Then ye next article was Read and it was Put to Vote Whether the town will Accept of m^r^ Jonathan Stones Pew and that the

town Treafurer be Directed to pay him his prime Cost and it past in the Affairmative — —
Upon a motion made & Seconded it was put to Vote Whether the town will Sell Said Pew to mr Christopher Grant for £8 pounds and it past in the Negative—
alfo it was put to Vote whether sd: Grant Should have it for Ten pounds and it past in ye Negative

[334] Then it was Put to Vote whether Sd: Pew Should be Sold at Publick Vendue as Some others had been and it past in the Affairmative—

Voted & Chofe for a Commtt: to Sell Said Pew — — — — — — — — — — — { mr Samll Fisk, Jona: Brown, mr Elijah Bond }

Then the Article Relating Induftery Oeconomy &c. was Read together with a Letter from ye Selectmen of Boston Directed to ye Selectmen of Watertown with Some Votes past by ye town of Boston, therein Inclofed. and after Some Debate thereon—a Motion was made and Seconded & Put Whether the town will Choofe a Committed to Draw up a Plan of Proper Meafures for the town to come into Relating to Induftery &c and it past in the affeirmative

Voted & Chofe for sd: Committe { mr: Nathll Harrington, mr Samll Fisk, Jona: Brown, mr John Remington, mr Cornns: Waldo, Lt: Daniel Whitney, John Hunt Esqr: }

Voted that sd: Committe Draw up Some Proper Inftructions for ye town give their Reprefentative at this time and that they be Ready to lay them before the town at ye adjournment of this meeting
Then Voted & adjorned this meeting to Next Monday at three of the Clock afternoon at this place—

[335] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houfe of ye wido: Mary Learned on the Eleventh Day of January AD: 1767 They Sold What weareing Apparril was left by mr Samll Coolidge that belonged to the town

At a General Town-Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Afsembled at Publick Meeting Houfe in sd: Town on Monday the Eighteenth Day of January AD 1768 Pr Adjournment
The following Vote was Paft Viz — — — — — —

The town of Watertown being alarmed at the Late Im-

posions on the Colonies & perceiving the Streights and Difficulties the People of this province must be brought Into by lefsening the Medium of Trade, Have Considered with pleafure the attempts made for laying afide the ufe of Foreign articles we may well do without, and the Refolutions many Towns have Come into for the promotion of Induftery & the Encouragement of their own Manufactures do alfo Chearfully & Unanimusly Vote That we are Ready to joine in any patriotick Endeavors to Lefson our Importations and thereby prevent our Gold and Silver from giving us the Slipp, That we Confent to lay afide the ufe not only the Articles Enumerated by the Town of Boston in their Refolves but of all foreign Teas as Expenfive and pernifious as well as unneceefsary, this Continent abounding with many Herbs of a more Salubrious Quallity which if we were as much ufe'd to as the poifonus Bohea, would no Doubt in time be as Agreable & perhaps much more So and whilft by a Manly Influence we Expect our women make this Sacrafice to the good of their Country we hereby Declare we Shall highly Honor and Esteem the Encouragors of our own Manufactures & the General ufe of ye productions of

this—

[334] The Continent this being in our Judgment at this time a Necefsary means (Under God) of Rendering us a happy & free people— — — —

The following Inftructions were Unanimously Voted to be Given to their Reprefentative: the prefent Sefsion of the General Court (Viz) — — — — —

We your Conftituents the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Watertown; being legally Afsembled: and haveing Deliberatly confidered the Malancholy & Diftref'd Scituation of our affairs as of the Province in General So of our Refpective Towns, & haveing with the Greatest Pleafure & Sattisfaction beheld a Surprifeing Spirit to Promote Oeconomy Induftery. & Frugallity prevail in many of our Towns as Appears by their Refolutions & Inftructions given at Large to their Reprefentatives perticularly by the Refpectable Town of Boston who to their IMMORTAL HONOUR took the lead: many of them Sacraficing their private Interest to publick good, have Set us a Glorious Example, which with the utmost Gratitude we Sincearly Adopt—

And therefor Advife and Charge you S^r^: as our Reprefentative to Govern & Conduct your Self agreable to thofe Salutary Instructions given by our Respectable Metropolis to their Reprefentatives, & we Defire you would be upon Your Guard against any who under false Pretences of Patriotick Zeal to their Country may Endeavour to Draw you into any Rafh or Diforderly Meafures Either Disrefpectfull to the Best of Sovereigns or undutifull to our Mother Country, But that you Coolly & Dis-

pationatly join and Repeatedly join if Expedient in all firm Vigorous but most loyal and peacable meafures in Afsertaining our Charter Priviledges and for Obtaining releif of thofe greivances which otherwife threaten us with Impending Ruin——

[335] Upon a motion made and Seconded it was put to Vote whether the Town will Reconfider their Vote past on the Eleventh day of this prefent month Relating to the Building a work-Houfe this prefent year, and that s^{d}: affair be Refer'd to March Meeting for further Confideration and it paft in the affeirmative—

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houfe of m^{r} John Kemball on Monday ye 22th Day of February AD: 1768—
m^{r} Nathaniel Harrington bro^{t}: in his account for Keeping the Englifh School Ten Weeks ammounting to the Sum of £6″ 6″ 8 and the Selectmen Signed an order on ye town Treafurer for the payment of the Same—and m^{r} Jonas Harrington ju^{r} Sent in an account for 295 feet of Planck which he bro^{t}: to the Great Bridge ammounting to the Sum of £2″ 19″ 0 which they ordered the Clerk to Draw an order on the Selectmen of Weston for the payment thereof

At this meeting ye Selectmen Agreed to have a General Town-Meeting on Monday y^{e}: 7th- Day of March next at the Publick Meeting-Houfe at Ten of ye Clock in the forenoon and ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to the Several Conftables to warn all the freeholders & other Inhabitants who are Qualified to Vote in town affairs to Afsemble at time and place afore-Said to act on ye following Articles (Viz) First to Choofe a Moderator for s^{d}: Meeting (2^{ly}) To Choofe Selectmen a Town Clerk & Treafurer and all other town officers that by law are Required to be Chofe in the month of march annually (3^{ly}:) To Choofe a Saxton and Agree how he Shall be paid for his Service (4^{ly}) To put in their Votes for a County Treafurer (5^{ly}) To know ye minde of the town whether Swine Shall Run at large the prefent year (6^{ly}) To Choofe a Committe to Examin the Treafurers accounts

(7^{ly}:)

[336] (7^{ly}) To appropriate the Interest money Comeing to the Town ye prefent Year the year Begining the Eleventh Day of December last past (8^{ly}) To Grant a Sallary for ye Rev^{d}: m^{r} Seth Storer for ye Enfueing year (9^{ly}) To grant money to Support the Grammer School & any other Schools as may be Agreed upon (10^{ly}:) To grant money to Support the poor (11^{ly}) To grant money to Repair the Great Bridge (12^{ly}) To Hear the accounts of thofe perfons the town is Indebted to & Grant money to pay the Same (13^{ly}) To grant money to Repair the High-ways

and Town-ways and to Choofe the Surveyors Collectors of the High-way Rate & Determin ye price of Labour in Working out Said Rate (14^ly^) To Hear The pleas of ye Conftables or Collectors for abating any Perticular Perfons Rates in their lists if the town think fitt and grant money to make them Good (15^ly^) For the town to Choofe a Committe to manage the Schools if they think fitt—(16^ly^) To Hear the Report of the Committe that were appointed to Sell m^r^ Jonathan Stones pew and to appropriate ye money arifing by the Sale thercof (17^ly^) For the town to act on the Second Article in the Warrant for the last Town-meeting Relating to the Building a Work-Houfe which was Refeer'd to this meeting (18^ly^) For the town to Determin whether the pew that was the late m^r^: Henry Springs Reverts to the town and if So then for the town to Difpose of it again as they they think fitt. and act any thing thereon as they may think best

and Likewife to Notifie the Town Creditors to bring in their accounts to the Selectmen on Fryday ye fourth Day of march next at 3 of the Clock afternoon at the Houfe of m^r^ Benjamin Prentice in order to their being laid before the Town—

Warrants were Issued out Accordingly

Pr Jon^a^: Brown Town Cler

[337] 1767 The Com^tee^- that ware Chofen by the Town of Watertown at their March Meeting 1767 To take Care of ye Schools and to Improve the money Granted for that purpofe for the Enfueing year, Proceeded as followeth.

At a Meeting of Said Com^tee^- at the Houfe of m^r^: Abijah Learned Innhold^r^: March 1767 They Agreed with Mr Nathaniel Bond the prefent School Mafter to keep the Gramer School an other Quarter (the prefent Quarter near Expiring) at the Ufual price (Viz) Ten pounds Lawfull money Pr Quarter— — — —

At a Meeting of Said Com^tee^- at the Publick-Meeting Houfe in Said town on Monday the day of may AD 1767

They Agreed to provide five womens Schools for the Inftructing of Children in the Remote parts of the Town Said Schools to begin on the first day of June Next and to be kept twelve weeks each at forty shillings old Tenor P^r^ week The School Dames to provide Rooms or pay the Rent for them—Accordingly They agreed with m^r^ Sam^ll^ Cooks wife to keep in their Houfe— m^r^ Joseph Hays wife to keep in their Houfe and mis Kezia Stone to keep a School in the School-Houfe near m^r^ John Strattons and m^r^ Samuel Mafon's wife to keep in the Houfe where She lives and mif Hannah Bright to keep a School in the Houfe of Mr Phinehas Stearnes—

At a Meeting of Said Com^tee^- at m^rs^- Learneds Innhold^r^- on Monday the 22 Day of June AD 1767— They Agreed to hire m^r^ Nath^ll^: Bond the prefent School-mafter an other Quarter—

At a Meeting of said Comtee- at mrs Learneds Innholder on Monday the 12th Day of Octr: AD 1767 they Agreed to hire Mr Nathaniel Bond to keep the Grammer School another Quarter at the ufual price

[338] At Said Meeting they Determined that there Should be a Writing School keept in the west part of the Town for Ten weeks to begin the Ninth Day of Novr Next and at the Expiration of said Ten weeks a writing School Should be opened at the East part of the Town and kept Ten weeks They agreed with mr Nathaniel Harrington to keep the School in the west part of the Town ten weeks for Forty Seven pounds ten Shillings (old Tenor) — — — — — —

At a Meeting of the School Comtee- at the Houfe of mrs: Mary Learned Innholder Decr: 22: 1767—

They Agreed to hire mr: Nathaniel Bond to keep the Grammer School an other Quarter the prefent Quarter being Near out—

At Said Meeting they Contracted with mr Nathaniel Harrington to keep the writing School in the East part of the town for the Space of Ten weeks for Forty Seven pounds Ten Shillings (old Ten) To begin Said School the Eighteenth day of January Next

Samll: Fisk Pr Ordr:

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houfe Mr: Benjan Prentice on Fryday the 4th- Day of March AD: 1768 In order to take in the accounts of the perfons to whome the town is Indebted, —The following accounts were Exhibited (Viz)

mr Daniel Bond brot. his acctt- for Boarding Mary Coollidge one year and for mending her Clothes and for Some New things which he procured Ammounting to 5—1=9

And mr Stephen Harris brot: his Account for Boarding the wido Mary Maddox one year which ammounts to the Sum of 8=9=10

[339] And mr Joseph Coollidge brot: his account for Boarding & Nurfing Ruth Maddox five Weeks at 4/1 pr Week — — — — — — — — — — — — — — 1=0=0

and mr Ebenezer Stone jur brot: his account for Boarding Jacob Boyington 3 Weeks & four Days — — — — — — — — — — — — 0″9″7″1

Mr Mofes Stone brot: his Account for fetching Ruth Maddox from Malden — — — — — — — — 0″4″0—

Dr: Marfhal Spring brot: his account for Medecine and Attendance on Ruth Maddox — — — — — — 0″6″8—

Likwife mr Nathll: Stone brot: his Account for Entertaining and taking Care of Ruth Maddox from ye 27 Day of January last to ye 4 Day of March— 0″6″0

mr Nehemiah Mafon brot: an account of 12/1 which he paid Nathan Coollidge in ye Year 1766 For a Room to keep a School in — — — — —	0″12″0—
mr William Bond brot an account for ye Ufe of a Room in his Houfe to keep the School in Ten Weeks at 1/4d pr Week which comes to—	0″13″4—
and mr Jonas White brot an Account for Cash paid to mr Joseph Welfh of Cambridge for Mending the School-Houfe windows 3/1d — — —	0″3″1—
	3″14″8″1

And the following perfons brot: ye following acctts- to be laid before ye town (Viz)

To mr. John Kemball for Serving Afsefsor last year —	0″16″0—
To mr Mofes Stone for like Service ye Same year —	0″16″0
To Jona: Brown for Serving Treafurer & afsefsor ye Same year	3″ 9″4
To mr Isaac Sanderfon for mending Samll Coollidges Shoes	0″ 2″3″
To mr Simon Haftings for Labour & Meterials—	0″ 9″0″
	5″12″8″

at this meeting ye Selectmen agreed with mr Simon Hafting to Repair on of mr Storers Glafs windows that his Account may be laid before the Town at their Next meeting — —

[340] At the meeting last mentioned the Selectmen Agreed to Signe orders on the town Treafurer to pay the Revd: mr: Seth Storer his Sallary for the year 1767 it being ye Sum of 66″13″4

and to pay mr Nathll Bond for one years Service in keeping ye Grammer School which Come to	40″ 0″—
and to pay the perfons that kept the womens Schools the last Summer to each the Sum of £3″4 Shillings which comes to ~~~~~~~~	16″ 0″—

and the Sum of 17″6″3″1 to the perfons after-Named which is in full of their Accounts brot- into the Selectmen at this time (Viz)—

To mr Daniel Bond ye Sum of — — —	5″	1″	9	
To mr Stephen Harris — — — — —	8″	9″	10	
To mr Joseph Coollidge — — — — —	1″	0″	0	
To mr Ebenezer Stone jur — — — —	0″	9″	7″	1
To mr Mofes Stone — — — — — —	0″	4″	0″	0
To Dr Marfhal Spring — — — — —	0″	6″	8	—
To mr Nathll Stone — — — — — —	0″	6″	0	—
To mr Nehemiah Mafon — — — — —	0″	12″	0	—
To mr William Bond — — — — — —	0″	13″	4	—
To mr Jonas White — — — — — —	0″	3″	1	—
	£17″	6″	3″	1

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of M^r^: Benjamin Prentice ye Seventh Day of March AD: 1768 the above Mentioned orders were Signed—and the Same Day they Agreed to meet at Said Prentices to Sware the town officers and to put out the poor for the year Enſueing—and they ordered the Clerk to Direct the Conſtables to Summons ye officers to attend at Said time and place — — — — — — — — — —

[341] At a Gen^ll^- Town-Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled and Meet at the Publick Meeting-Houſe in Said town on Monday ye Seventh day of March Anno: Domini 1768 For the Choice of Town officers and other affairs as Setforth in ye Warrants for Said Meeting — — — — — —

Voted & Choſe Dea^n^. Sam^ll^: Fisk Moderator for Said Meeting—

Voted & Choſe for Selectmen— { Jon^a^: Brown; m^r^ John Kemball; m^r^ Moſes Stone; m^r^ Jonas White; m^r^ Jon^a^ Bemis ju^r^ }

Voted & Choſe for Town-Clerk & Treaſurer Jon^a^: Brown

Voted & Choſe for aſseſsors— { Dea^n^. Sam^ll^: Fisk—; Jon^a^: Brown; m^r^ Moſes Stone }

Voted & Choſe for Conſtables miſs^s^ Joseph Coollidge & Jonas Bearned

Voted to Chooſe Collectors of Tax's this year — — — — — — —

Voted & Choſe miſu^rs^ Joseph Coollidge & Jonas Bearned Collectors—

Voted & Granted Six pounds for their Service in Collecting Tax's

Voted & Choſe for Wardens miſsu^rs^ Elijah Bond & Daniel Bond—

Voted & Choſe Sealer of Leather m^r^ Thomas Patten—

Voted & Choſe Fence viewers miſs^rs^ Saml: Cook & Jonathan Learned ju^r^

Voted & Choſe Surveyors of High-ways John Chenery & Stephen Harris

Voted & Choſe Tythingmen miſ^rs^ Josiah Norcroſs & Bez^ll^: Learned

Voted & Choſe Hogrieves Simon Coollidge ju^r^ & Israel Whitney

Voted & Choſe Surveyors of Timber planck &c L^t^. Nath^ll^: Coollidge David Sanger Bez^ll^: Learned and Jonas Coollidge ju^r^.—

Voted & Choſe Howards David Coollidge ju^r^ & Jonas Coollidge ju^r^

Voted & Choſe Clerks of ye Markent miſs^rs^ Samuel Cook & Jedi^h^ Leath

Voted & Choſe Cullars of Hoops Staves &c miſu^rs^ Sam^ll^ Cook & Bez^ll^ Learned

Voted & Choſe Surveyor of Wheat m^r^ Stephen Harris — —

Voted & Choſe m^{r} Haſtings Saxton and that he have two Contrabutions as uſual for his Service — — — — — —
Voted that Swine be Shut up the preſent year — — —

Voted & Choſe a Com^{tt}- to Examin ye Treaſurers Acc^{tts}-
- Dea^{n} Sam^{ll} Fisk
- m^{r} Moſes Stone
- m^{r}: Nathl Harrington

[342] Voted to Appropriate ye Intereſt money Coming to the town as it was last Year (Viz) Five Shilling & four pence to the School and the Remainder to ye Miniſter — — — — —
Voted and Granted the Sum of 66″13″4 as a Sallary for the Rev^{d}: m^{r} Seth Storer the Enſueing year the Intereſt money to be part and the Remainder to be Aſseſt—
Voted and Abated Joseph Gardiners Rates in Conſtable Isaac Sanderſons & David Sangers lists being £1″2″6″3— — — —

At a Gen^{ll} Town-Meeting of the freeholders & othe Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick-Meeting Houſe in s^{d}: town on Monday the 14th: Day of March Anno Domini 1768 Pr Adjornment — — — — — — —
They Voted & Granted ye Sum of £33″6″8 to Support ye Gram^{r} School
Then it was put to vote whether they would grant money to Support any other Schools and it paſt in ye affirmative — — —
Voted & Granted ye Sum of 20 pounds to Support other Schools
Put to Vote whether ye town will Chooſe a Com^{tt}- to manage the Schools and it past in the affirmative — — — —

Voted and Choſe for Said Committe—
- m^{r}: David Sanger
- m^{r} Jonas Bond
- m^{r} Sam^{ll}: Fisk
- m^{r} Sam^{ll} White
- m^{r} Nath^{ll}: Stone

Voted & Granted 20 pounds to Support the poor —
Voted & Granted 30 pounds to Repair ye High-ways & Town-ways —
Voted that ye price of Labour in Working out the High way Rate be the Same as it was last year
Voted to Excuse m^{r} John Chenery from Serving Surveyor of Highways
Voted and Choſe m^{r}: Jonas Bond to Serve in his Room
Voted & Choſe the Surveyors Collectors of the High-way Rate
Voted & abated Jonas Coollidges & James Hays's Rates in Conſtable Isaac Sanderſons lists & Granted 2″9″11″1 to make it good—
Voted & accepted the town Creditors accounts and Granted the Sum of £5″12″8 pence to pay the Same—

[343] Then the Committe that were Choſen to Sell m^{r}

Jonathans Stones Pew made Verbal Report that they Appointed the first Day of February last to make Sale of sd: pew and Notified the town in the Ufeull manner of the time and place and put up Said pew to Sale and it was Struck of to mr Christopher Grant for 80 pounds O: T: for which he gave Security to the town Treafurer ~~~~~~~~~~~~

Then it was Voted that mr Grant pay So much of the money into Treafury as will pay mr: Jonathan Stone his prime Cost — Voted that the remainder may lie for the prefent at Intereft

Then the Article Relating to Building a Work-Houfe was Read and it was Voted not to proceed to Build one at prefent

Then the Article Relating to mr Henry Spring Decsts- pew was Read and after Some Debate thereon The town Voted to Choofe a Committe to Inquire further into the Circumftances of Said affair and Report what will be proper for the Town to do Relating thereto—

Voted & Chofe for Said Committe — { mr: Nathll Stone / mr Mofes Stone / mr Nathll Harrington }

The Same Day Jonathan Brown was Sworn as Town-Clerk Town-Treafurer & Afsefsor by John Hunt Justice Peace — — —

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houfe of mr: Benjamin Prentice the Same Evening after ye Selectmen had taken ye Oath Relating to other Governments Bills then the other Town officers after taking Said Oath were Sworn to the faithfull Discharge of the Several offices to which they were Chofen (Viz) mifurs Saml: Fisk & Mofes Stone Afsefsors — — — — —

mifsrs Joseph Coollidge and John Stearns Conftables — —

mifsr Elijah Bond and Daniel Bond Wardens — — —

mr Thomas Patten Sealer of Leather — — — —

mifsrs Samuel Cook and Jonathan Learned jur Fence-Viewers

mifsrs Stephen Harris Surveyors of Highways & Collectors

mifsrs: Josiah Norcrofs & Bezll: Learned Tythingmen — — — —

mifsrs Simon Coollidge jur & Israel Whitney Hogrieves

[344] mifsrs Nathll Coollidge David Sanger Bezll: Learned & Jonas Coollidge jur Surveyors of Timber Planck &c ————

mifsrs David Coollidge jur and Jonas Coollidge ju Howards

mifsrs Samll: Cook and Jedidiah Leath Clerks of the Markets kets

mfsrs Samll Cook & Bezll: Learned Cullars of Hoops Staves &c—

At this Meeting the Selectmen Agreed with mr Nathan Coollidge to take care of and Board the wido Mary Maddox for the Space of one year and he is to have at the Rate of Three Shillings and four pence pr week — — — — — —

And with mr: Daniel Bond to Board and take Care of Mary

Coollidge one year more at the Rate of two Piſtereens pr week—and they are to have no further Allowance Except in Case of Sickneſs—

At this Meeting the widow Mary Benjamin & Son made Complaint that John Whitney jur and his wife were Burdenſom to them—and it Appearing to the Selectmen that they were Idle Lazey Perſons They Agreed with mr: Thomas Learned to have the man for £6″ 14″ 8 for the Space of one Year which Sum he is to pay to ye Selectmen for the uſe of the Said Whitneys family provided they can git the Aſsiſtance of two Justices of the Peace to binde him they alſo Agreed with mr Fanning Learned that he Should have sd: Whitneys wife one year he paying thirty Shillings for her Service for the like uſes and on the Same Conditions — — —

At this Meeting ye Selectmen Approved of mr Edward Richardſons Removeing his licence to his own houſe and ordered the Clerk to Signe their Approbation for him to Carry to the Quarter Seſsions

[345] Watertown March ye: 29—1768

To ye Selectmen

Afsesfors Return 1768

Theſe are to Certify that we the Subscribers Aſseſsors of Said Town have aſseſt the Ratable Pools & Estates in Sd: Town in ye Sum of Thirty pounds And and have Committed lists of sd: Aſseſsment to the Surveyors of the High-ways who are Collectors of the High-way Rate (Viz) — —

To mr Stephen Harris the Sum of —£15″ 11″ 2″2
And to mr Jonas Bond the Sum of — 14″ 8″ 9″2

30″ 0″ 0″0

with Lawfull warrants to Levy & Collect ye Same or See that it be faithfully worked out agreable to the Vote of the Town in Repairing ye Highways & Town-ways So as to make up their Whole account of working or Collecting with yourSelves or Succeſsors on or before ye last day of November Next Enſueing the Date Hereof

Samll: Fisk
Jona: Brown
Moſes Stone

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of mr Benjamin Prentice on ye 30 Day of March AD 1768 — — — —

This being the year for Perambulating lines and Renewing the Bounds Between towns the Selectmen Agreed to do that Service on ye Ninteenth Day of April Next and ordered the Clerk to Notify the Selectmen to Meet at half past Six of ye Clock in in the

morning at mr Moſes Stones and the Selectmen of Waltham to meet Near mr Joseph Wellingtons at Ten of ye Clock in the fore-Noon alſo the Selectmen of Newton at 4 of ye Clock in the afternoon Near mr Phinehas Cooks

At a Meeting ye Selectmen at the Houſe of mr Benjn Prentice on Fryday the 8th Day of April Anno Domini 1768
They agreed with mr Bezaleel Learned to Care of the Great Bridge and They Appointed miſsurs Moſes Stone and Jonas White to Perambulate with the perſons Appointed by the Adjacent Town on ye Ninteenth Inſtant

[346] At Said Meeting the Selectmen Signed orders on ye town Treaſurer to ye Sum of 2″2″4″2 To Bezaleel Learned in full of his last Years account for what he did at the great Bridge and the Sum of £8 pounds to Jonathan Whitney for his Bringing Up Jacob Boyington ~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~
And they Agreed that the Surveyors of the High-ways Should have their Deſtricts as they were last Year See Page (259) and it being thot Neceſsary to Rebuild the South Pier of ye Great Bridge as Soon as the Seaſon will admit the Selectmen appointed the 19th Day of this preſent month of April to View and Examin the timbers of Said Bridge and ordered the Clerk to Send Notifications to the Selectmen of Weston & Waltham of the time and place of Sd: Meeting that if they thot Proper they might have their Voice in the affair —

Notifications were Sent the Next Day
Accordingly Pr Jona: Brown Town Clerk

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham at the Houſe of mr: Benjamin Prentice Innholder in Watertown, on Tuesday ye: 19th- Day of April 1768 after Viewing and Examining the Great Bridge they found Several of ye Timbers Defective—and they Agreed with Mr: Josiah Smith one of ye Selectmen of Weston to Provide
one String peice 23 feet longe & 14 Intches Square — — — —
one Cap peice 21 feet Longe & 13 Intches Square — — — — —
Eight Braces 12 feet Longe and Nine Intches Square — — — —
One Pooſt 12 feet Longe and twelve Intches Square — — — —
alſo 3 Pooſts Six feet Longe and 12 Intches Square — — — —
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and mr Smith is to have at the Rate of 19/4 pr Ton for Sd: Timber and to Deliver the Same to mr Bezaleel Learned this preſent month of April — —

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Perambulation

At the Said Meeting mr Moſes Stone and mr David Bemis Reported that they had Perambulated the lines with the men Appointed by the Adjacent towns and Renewed the marcks be tween towns

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on Monday y^e^. Second Day of may AD 1768 at the Houſe of Mr Benjamin Prentice — — — Mr Nathaniel Harrington bro^t^ in his account for keeping the Engliſh School Eleven Weeks which Comes to Seven pounds and the Selectmen Signed an Order on ye Treaſurer to pay the Same—and m^r^ Richard Clark Sent in a Notification to Inform that he had taken to live with him one Isaac Peirce who came last from Billerca on the Sixth Day of April Last past — — — The Selectmen haveing Received a Precept from the Sheriff Requiring them to Aſsemble the Inhabitants of Watertown to Elect and Depute a Suitable Perſon to Repreſent them in a Great & General Court or Aſsembly Appointed to be convened held and kept for his Majesty's Service at the Court Houſe in Boston on Wedensday the 25th Day of This preſent month of may— Therefor They Ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to ye Several Conſtables to warn ye Inhabitants who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative to meet at the Publick Meeting Houſe on Monday the 16th- Day of this preſent month of may at 3 of the Clock in ye afternoon for the Purpose aforeSaid— They alſo Agreed to to have an othe General Town Meeting on the Same Day & at the Same place at 4 of ye Clock afternoon and Directed ye Clerk to Issue out warrants to warn the Inhabitants who are Quallified to Vote town affairs to Meet at Said time and Place for ye Ends following (Viz) First to Chooſe a moderator for s^d^: meeting (2) To Hear the Report of the Committe appointed to Examin ye Treaſurers accounts & act thereon as they See fitt— (3) To paſs on a list of Juriors prepared to be laid before the Town—

[348] (4) For the town to Act any thing Relating to Repairing ye Fence on the miniſterial fence farm or Dividing ye fence with any Perſon or Perſons that have Land Adjoining thereto and act any thing Relating thereto as they think Proper (5) To Grant money to Repair the Great Bridge— (6) To Grant money to repair the meeting Houſe or appropriate Some money Ariſeing by ye Sale of a Pew for that uſe if they think fitt (7) To Hear a Copy of a Petition of Sundry Towns praying that Some of the Courts of Justice may be Removed from the places where they are now held to the town of Concord & act Relating thereto as they See fitt—(8) For the town to take Some Proper meaſures to prevent ye the Town that leads by David Sangers to Samuel Benjamins from being Deſtroyed, and Act any thing Relating thereto as they See fitt— (9) For the Town to Accept of a peice of Land Purchaſed by Capt- Edward Harrington and others if the town See fitt— (10) For the Town to Abate Joseph Jepſas Rates in Edward Harrington ju^r^ lists and grant money to make it good (11) To Hear the Report of the Committe that were Choſen last march Meeting to Inquire into

ye Circumſtances of ye late m^r Henry Springs Pew and to Act any thing further thereon as they think Proper ~~~~~~~~~~~~~~

Warrants were Issued out Accordingly

May y^e: 6: 1768

Pr Jon^a Brown Town Cle^r

At a Gen^ll Town-Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at ye publick-Meeting Houſe in s^d: Town on Monday the Sixteenth Day of May AD 1768 For the Choice of a Repreſentativ the Major part of ye Selectmen being preſent the Votes were Called for bro^t: in Sorted & Counted and it Appeared that m^r John Remington was Choſen by ye Major part of ye Electors preſent — — — — — —

[349] At a Gen^ll Town Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in Town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at ye publick meeting Houſe in s^d: Town on Monday ye Sixteenth Day of May AD: 1768 for Transacting Sundry Town affairs as Settforth in ye Warrants for s^d: Meeting

Voted and Choſe m^r: Sam^ll Fisk Moderator for s^d: Meeting

Upon a Motion made & Seconded the Question was put Whether it be ye minde of ye town to Adjorn this Meeting to monday Next at 2 of ye Clock afternoon to this place in order to transact the buſineſs of the Meeting and the Vote past in the affirmative—

The meeting was Declared Adjorned Accordingly—

At a Gen^ll Town-Meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown at the publick meeting Houſe in Said Town on Monday ye 23 Day of May AD 1768 P^r adjornment

(2) article Red Relating to the town Treaſurers acc^tts- upon which the Com^tees- Report was Read Voted and Accepted—That the town Treaſurers acc^ts- were well Vouch't & Right Cast

(3) article Read upon which a list of Juriors was Read after which L^t. Whitney was Excuſed from Serving on Jury of Tryals—and the Remaing List was Voted and accepted—(4) article Read Relating to the ministerial place. Upon which a Vote was past to Chooſe a Com^tee- and Impower them to Divide fences with thoſe that joine upon the Miniſterial place and that S^d: Com^tte- be Directed to Repair the fence Belonging to the miniſterial place—

Voted & Choſe L^t: Daniel Whitney Capt^t Edward Harrington and Mr Jonas White for Said Com^tee-

(5) article Read Relating to the Repairs of ye Great Bridge Voted and Granted the Sum of Eight pounds to Repair the Same

(6)

[350] (6) article Read Relating to the Repairs of ye Meeting-Houſe

Voted and Appropriated the money Arifing by ye Sale of m^r^ Jonathan Stones pew (that Remains unappropriated —
Voted to Choofe a Com^ttee-^ to do the Said Service — — —
Voted and Chofe m^r^ Mofes Stone m^r^: Jonas White & m^r^ Richard Clark for Said Com^tee-^ — — — — —
(7) article Read Relating to Removeing ye Courts &c from the Places where they are now kept in the County of Middlefex to the town of Concord— Upon which a Petition was Read from Sundry towns to the Gen^ll^: Court for the Ends aforeSaid Upon which a Vote was put whether it be Agreable to the town that the prayer of s^d^: Petition be Granted and it past in the Negative—
Voted and Chofe Capt Jonathan Brown to give Reafons in Behalf of the town why the prayer of S^d^ petition Should not be granted—(8) article Read Relating to the town way by m^r^: David Sangers and after Some Debate thereon the Question was put whether it be the minde of the town to act any thing on s^d^: article It past in ye Negative—
(9) article Read Relating to the Lands purchafed by Capt Edward Harrington after Some Debate the Vote was put whether the town will act on s^d^: article and it past in the Negative—
(10) article—Voted & abated Joseph Jepsas Rates in Collector Edward Harrington jur^s^ Lists and Granted ye Same Sum to make it good—0″13″5
(11) Read Relating to the pew that Belonged to m^r^ Henry Spring Deceafed upon which a Copy of a Decree was Produced whereby it Appeared that s^d^: Pew was Settled upon m^r^ Marfhal Spring: upon which the Question was put whether the Town will act any thing on Said Article & it past in the Negative

Attest Sam^ll^: Fisk Moderator—

[351] Committees Report on the Town Treafurers Accounts—

Watertown May y^e^: 16: 1768

We the Subscribers being Appointed by the Town to Examin the Town Treafurers Acc^tts-^ have Examined Said acc^tt-^ and Find them well Vouch't and Right Cast

Sam^ll^ Fisk
Nath^ll^: Harrington } Com^tte-^
Mofes Stone

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of m^r^: Benjn. Prentice on Monday the Sixth Day of June AD 1768—
They haveing Received a Precept from the Speaker of the Hon^le-^ Houfe of Reprefentatives Requiring the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown to be Afsembled to Choofe a Reprefentative (the Choice of m^r^ John Remington being Set a

Side) they ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to ye Several Conſtables to Warn the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative to Aſsemble at the Publick-Meeting Houſe in S^d: Town on Thursday the Ninth Day of June Inſtant for Said Purpoſe

Warrants were Issued out accordingly

Pr Jon^a: Brown Town Cler

At a Gen^ll: Town Meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in ye Choice of a Repreſentative Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting in S^d: town on Thursday the Ninth day of June AD: 1768
The Selectmen Opened the Meeting and the Votes were Called for and being bro^t- in Counted & Sorted it Appeared that m^r John Remington was Choſen by the Major part of the Electors preſent

[352] At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r: Benjamin Prentice on the first Day of July Anno: Domini 1768
They Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay m^r Eben^r: Stone ju^r the Sum of Eight pounds fror bringing up Mary Boyington and to pay m^r Abijah Learned 0″9″4 being ye Expence in Putting out the Poor in ye Year 1767 alſo to pay m^r Jonathan Whitney ye Sum of £2 pounds it being Remainder of What was Due to him for taking Jacob Boyington to bring up—

At a meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham on Fryday ye Day of August at the Houſe of m^r Josiah Gleaſon Inn-holder in s^d Waltham 1768
They agreed to begin the Repairs of the Great Bridge in Watertown on monday ye fifth Day of Sep^r: Next (if ye Weather Permit) and Appointed one of the Selectmen of Each Town for a Com^tt- to Carry on the work (Viz) Capt: Jonathan Brown for Watertown m^r Jonathan Stratton for Weston and Capt- William Coollidge for Waltham —

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weston and Waltham on Tuesday y^e: 13th Day of Sepr AD 1768 at ye Houſe of m^r Benjamin Prentice in order to View ye Great Bridge & Conſider what further Repairs is Neceſsary they Agreed y^t M^r: Jonathan Bemis of Watertown and Capt: William Coollidge of Waltham Should finiſh Putting up the Rails and Carry on as much more Gravil as they Shall think Needfull and they Appointed to meet again on the first monday of October Next at 2 of ye Clock afternoon at the Houſe of m^r Josiah Smith in Weston to Compleat the Settlement of their Chearge Relating to ye S^d: Bridge —

[353] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown on Monday ye 19th- Day of Sepr AD 1768 at m^r^ Benjamin Prentices Houſe They Approbated m^r^ Thomas Saltmarſh m^r^ Benjamin Prentice m^r^ Edward Richardſon to be Innholders alſo L^t^: Nath^ll^ Coollidge to keep an Innhold and they Approbated m^r^ Cornelius Waldo m^r^ Jonas White John Hunt Esqr: and m^r^ Josiah Capen to be Retailors of Spiritous Liquors — —

And they agreed to have a town-Meeting at ye publick Meeting-Houſe on Wedensday the 21st Day of this Inſtant September at 2 of ye Clock afternoon to act on the following articles (Viz)
First to Chooſe a moderator for s^d^: meeting—
(2^ly^) To Conſider what is Proper to be don in the Preſent Melancholly Circumſtances of this province in Perticular all well as America in General—Eſpecially to hear ye late Reſolves of ye town of Boston and to Chooſe a Committe to joine with ye Committe of Boston and Such other towns as Shall think proper to appoint one to Conſider what is proper to be don in the Preſent State of affairs—and Directed the Clerk to Issue out Warrants to Directed to ye Several Conſtables to warn the Inhabitants that are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to meet at time and place and for the Ends aforeS^d^:—which was done the Next Day accordingly

Attest Jon^a^: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Gen^ll^ Town-Meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the Publick meeting Houſe on Wedensday ye 21st Day of Sepr. AD: 1768—
Voted and Chooſe m^r^: Samuel Fisk moderator for s^d^: meeting

Then the Proceedings of ye town of Boston were Read—and after Some Debate Relating to their Deſire of Sending a Committe to joine with them and other towns in a Convention—the Vote was Put whethe it be the minde of ye town to Chooſe a Perſon to Send to said Convention and it past in the affiermative — —
Then Voted and Chooſe m^r^ John Remington for s^d^: Committe man

[354] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham at the Houſe of m^r^ Josiah Smith Inn-holder in Weston on Monday the Third Day of October Anno: Domini 1768 The Accounts for Repairing the Great Bridge in Watertown Since y^e^ last Adjustment (which was on y^e^ 21 Day of Sepr AD 1767) ammounting to y^e^ Sum of £29=18=6=2 were Proportioned adjusted and Signed by y^e^ Selectmen of the Several Towns—They are Entered at Large in the Second Book in the Treaſury Page (68)—

at this Meeting y^e^ Selectmen of Watertown & Waltham agreed to lay the affair Relating to y^e^ wid^o^ Mary Maddox before Each Town at their Next March meeting and Endeavor to git a Committe from Each town Chosen & Empowered to Settle the Dispute between ye Two Towns Relating to Said wid^o^ Maddox

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye House of m^r^ John Kemball on ye 5th- Day of December Anno: Domini 1768 They Signed an Order on ye Town Treasurer to pay the Sum of £5″12″8—To ye Town Creditors which was Granted Last march Meeting—also to pay m^r^ John Kemball ye Sum of 0″10″10″3 farthings which he paid m^r^: Samuel Hastings for Mending Glass at the Meeting House & School-House in ye Year 1765—They also Signed an other order to pay the Sum of £27″16″2 pence to ye persons that procured the Meterials and Did the Repairs of ye Great Bridge the present year—
at this meeting they were Informed the wid^o^ Murch was in poor Circumstances and they Agreed that m^r^ Moses Stone provide her a load of wood and be paid for it by the town—

[355] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye House of m^r^ Benjamin Prentice on Mondy y^e^: 9th- Day of January Anno Domini 1769
They being Informed that m^r^ William Godding was in low Circumstances & his wife Sick it was Agreed that m^r^ Moses Stone provide a load of wood and Send to s^d^: Godding and be paid for it out of the town Treasury
At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the House of m^r^ Moses Stone on Fryday the 13th- Day of January AD 1769—
They being Informed that Mary Coollidge was in want of a pair of Shifts they Agreed that m^r^ Jonas White Should Provide her Some—and they Signed an order on ye Treasurer to pay missu^rs^ Edward Harrington ju^r^ and Samuel Soden Collectors three pounds each which was Granted them for Collecting the Rates also to pay m^r^ Jonathan Learned ju^r^ three Shillings & eight pence for mending the pound And they Directed the Clerk to order the Constables to Notifie the late Surveyors of High-ways to meet them at the House of the wid^o^ Mary Learned on Wedensday ye First Day of February Next at one of the Clock afternoon to Settle their Accounts
Notifications were given out accordingly Dated the Same day Attest
Jon^a^: Brown Town-Cler^k^

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the House of the wid^o^ Mary Learned on ye first day of February AD 1769—
Mr Joseph Wellington m^r^ Thomas Clark Capt: William Coollidge Mr David Bemis m^r^ William Bond & m^r^ Samuel White

Sattiſſied ye Selectmen that they had finiſhed their lists of Rates as Collectors of ye High-way Rate which are Accepted
And m^r^ Thomas Learned, m^r^ Edward Harrington ju^r^, m^r^ Jonathan Bemis m^r^ Joseph Coollidge m^r^ Richard Clark m^r^ Daniel Sawin and m^r^ Phinihas Stearns bro^t^: their lists and it Appeared y^t^ they had not finiſhed them

[356] At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on Monday ye 20th-day of Feb^ry^: Anno: Domini 1769 at the Houſe of m^r^ Thomas Saltmarſh—They Agreed to have ye Publick Annual March Meeting on Monday ye Sixth Day of march Next at Nine of ye Clock in the Forenoon at ye publick Meeting Houſe—and ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to the Conſtables to warn all ye freeholders & other Inhabitants who are Quallified To Vote in town affairs to Aſsemble & meet together at s^d^: time and place for the Ends following (Viz)—
First to Chooſe a Moderator for s^d^: meeting (2^ly^) To Chooſe Selectmen a Town Clerk Treaſurer & all other town officers Required by law to be Choſe in ye month of march annually. (3^ly^) To Chooſe a Saxton and agree how he Shall be paid for his Service, (4^ly^) To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer. (5^ly^) To know ye minde of the town Whether Swine Shall Run at large the Enſueing year— (6^ly^) To Chooſe a Committe to Examin the Treaſurers accounts— (7^ly^) To appropriate the Interest money comeing to ye town the preſent Year the Year Begining the Eleventh day of December last past (8^ly^) To grant a Sallary for the Rev^d^: m^r^ Seth Storer for ye Enſueing the year begining the first day of march Next (9^ly^) To grant money to Support the Schools that the town may agree Shall be keept the Enſueing year. and Act any thing Relating thereto as the town may think proper — — —
(10^ly^) To grant money to Support the poor (11^ly^) To grant money to Repair the Great Bridge. (12^ly^) To hear the accounts of thoſe perſons the town is Indebted to and grant money to pay the Same (13^ly^) To grant money to Repair ye High-ways and Town-ways and to Chooſe the Surveyors Collectors of the High-way Rate and Determin the price of Labour in Working out Said Rate and Act any thing Relating to former Surveyors of High-ways. and to come into any New Method for Repairing Said ways as the town may think Proper. (14^ly^) To hear the pleas of ye preſent or any late Conſtables or Collectors for abating any Perticular perſons Rates in their lists and grant money to make them good as the town may think fitt (15^ly^) To know ye minde of the town Whether they will come into Some Method to Settle the Diſpute with the town of Waltham Relating to the Suppor to the widow

Mary

[357] Mary Maddox and for the town to act thereon as

they think Proper (16ly) To know the minde of the town Whether they will have three School-Houſes and to act any thing Relating to Said affair they may think proper—
(17ly) To hear the Report of the Committe that were appointed to Repair the Meeting-Houſe and do any thing further on the affair they may think best (18ly) To Hear ye Report of the Committe that were Appointed to Divide fences with thoſe perſons that have land that joine on the Miniſterial place and to Repair said fences and for the town to do any thing further Relating thereto which they may think Needfull — — — —
Likewiſe to Notifie the town Creditors to bring in their accounts to ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of mr Benjamin Prentice on Fryday ye third day of march Next at two of ye Clock in the afternoon in order to their being layed before ye town
Alſo to Notifie the Surveyors of High-ways that have not Settled their accounts to attend at Sd: time & place in order to Settle their Accounts—
Warrants were Issued out Accordingly Dated ye Same day
Pr Jona: Brown Town-Clerk—

At this meeting ye Selectmen Signed an order on the Town Treaſurer for to pay the Sum of £66″13″4 to the Revd: Mr Seth Storer which was Granted for his Sallary for the year 1768. and to mr: Nathaniel Harrington the Sum of £16″13″4 for his Service in keeping the Grammer School Six months—and to Dean. Samuel Fisk ye Sum of £1: 8 : 0 for his Service in taking the Special Invoice in the month of may last—
And to mr Moſes Stone for the like Service £1 : 13 : 4
And to Jonathan Brown ye Sum of £1″12″0 for like Service and for Copying a list of Valuation and the province Rate for to Send to the General Court—

[358] The proceedings of the Committe Choſen by the Town of Watertown march—1768 to take Care of the Schools and and improve the money granted for that purpoſe the Preſent Year—
At a meeting of sd Commtee at mr Prentices March ye 27: 1768 They Agreed with mr: Nathll Bond the preſent School Maſter to keep ye Grammer School anothe Quarter at the Rate of £8: 6: 8 pr Quarter the Quarter to begin the Second Day of April Next allowing him the liberty of leaveing the School at any time giveing ye Comtee- timely Notice — — — — — —

At a meeting of sd Comtee- at mr Prentices may 9th- 1768—
Mr Bond haveing notified the Comtee- that he was about to leave the School they Agreed wth mr Nathaniel Harrington to keep the Grammer School a Quarter of a year at the Rate of

£8 : 6 : 8 pe^{r} Quarter—Accordingly m^{r} Bond Left the School about the 16th of may and m^{r} Harrington began the first day of June—

At a meeting of Said Com^{tee}- at m^{r} Prentices June—15—1768 they Determined that there Should be a Vacancy in the Gramer School to begin the 27th- day of the preſent month and to Continue Seven Weeks—

At Said meeting they Determined that there Should be five womans Schools Opened to begin the 27th: day of June Inſtant accordingly they Agreed with m^{r} Joseph Hays wife to keep a School in their houſe—They agred alſo with mis Kezia Stone to keep a School in the new School Houſe and m^{r} Samuel Maſons wife to keep a School in the Houſe where they live—and mis Hannah Bright to keep a School in m^{r} Phinehas Stearns's Houſe—And m^{r} Eirs Tainters wife to keep a School in their Houſe

Accordingly they keept School eight weeks each at Two pounds old Tenor p^{r}- Week Said miſtreſses to find rooms or alow for them out of their wages — — — —

At a meeting of said Com^{tee}- at m^{r} Prentices Octr. 17—1768 they Agreed with m^{r} Nathaniel Harrington to keep the Gramer School to the first mondy of march next

[359] After the Rate of £250 old Tenor p^{r} year his first Quarter Expiring the day next following Said meeting—The Said Com^{tee}- agreed to procure wood for the School, The master to use his indeavours to Collect the money of the Schollers for that purpose. each Scholler to advance half a Pistereen for the first payment — — — — — — —

At a Meeting of Said Com^{tee}- at m^{r} Richardſons Decr 2: 1768 They Agreed and Contracted with m^{r} John Stratton to keep a Writing School at the new School Houſe in the eaſt part of the Town for four weeks for Eighteen pounds old Tenor and accordingly he began December the 12th-

At a Meeting of Said Com^{tee}- at m^{r} Prentices's Jan^{ry}- 5th- 1769 They Agreed with m^{r} Stratton to keep the School in the East part of the town five weeks more making in the whole nine weeks after the Rate of two Dollars p^{r} Week

At a meeting of Said Com^{tee}- at m^{r} Prentices Feb^{ry}- 2—1769 They Agreed to hire m^{r} John Stratton to keep a Writing School Eight weeks in the west part of the town at M^{r} Wm- Bonds at two Dollars p^{r} week. Mr Bond to have ten Shillings old Ten^{r} p^{r} week for a Room to keep Said School in—

Sam^{ll}: Fisk P^{r}. Order—

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^: Benjn- Prentice on Fryday the third Day of march AD 1769 in order to take in the town Credit &c—

M^r^: Daniel Bond bro^t^ in his account for Boarding mary Coollidge 52 weeks at 18/ p^r^ week old Tenor which comes to £46: 16—0

alſo an account for Some Clothing procured for her and making and mending which Comes to old Tenor — — 10 : 4 : 6

Total is— 57 : 0 : 6
L: M. is 7 : 12 : 0—3

m^r^: Moſes Stone bro^t^: in an account for one load of wood which he procured for the wid^o^ Murch which Came to — — — 0 : 6 : 8

and for one load procured for W^m^- Godding as greed by the Selectmen — — — — 0 : 7 : 0

0 : 13 : 8

[360] And m^r^ Stephen Harris bro^t^: an account for Boarding the wid^o^ Mary Maddox eight days — — — — 0″ 3

And m^r^ Nathan Coollidge his account for Boarding the wid^o^ Mary Maddox for one year at 3/4 p^r^ Week Comes to — — — — — — — 8 : 13 : 4

March y^e^. 3. 1769 m^r^ Jonas Bond was Sworn to ye office of Surveyor of High-ways & Collector of ye High-way Rate

Pr Jon^a^: Brown Town-Clerk

At Said Meeting the following Accounts were bro^t^: in to the Selectmen to be layed before the town (Viz)

To Dea^n^: Fisk for Serving Aſseſsor ye year past— 0 : 16 : 0
To m^r^ Moſes Stone for like Service— 0 : 16 . 0
To Jon^a^ Brown for Serving Treaſurer & Aſseſsor— 3 ″ 9 : 4
To m^r^ Sam^ll^ White for Serving Conſtable in ye year 1765 and other Services — — — — — — 1 : 0 : 0
To m^r^ Jonas White for Labour &c at m^r^ Storers fence and Mending the School Houſe Glaſs— 0 : 8 : 1
To m^r^ Jonathan Learned ju^r^ for Labour & Meterials to mend the School Houſe — — — 0 : 4 : 4
To m^r^ Stephen Harris for Sundry Stones for Treadways Bridge (So Called) . . . . . 5 : 14 : 0

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Personally appeared the above-named William P. McGuire, Clerk of the Town of Watertown, and made oath to the truth of the statement before me.

D. Fay McGlauflin

Justice of Peace.

WATERTOWN RECORDS

Sixth Book, Began March 6th, 1769

[1]

At a General Town Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled & meet at the Publick Meeting Houſe in Said Town on Monday the Sixth Day of March Anno: Domini 1769 for the Choice of town officers and other affairs as Setforth in the warrants for S^{d}: meeting

Voted & Choſe m^{r} Samuel Fisk moderator

Voted & Choſe for Selectmen
- Capt Jon^{a}: Brown
- m^{r} Moſes Stone
- m^{r} John Kemball
- m^{r} Jonas White
- m^{r} Jon^{a} Bemis

Voted & Choſe for Town Clerk & Treaſurer Capt Jon^{a} Brown

Voted & Choſe for Aſseſsors ——
- Dea^{n}: Saml Fisk
- Capt Jon^{a}: Brown
- m^{r} Moſes Stone

Voted & Choſe for Conſtables & Collectors
- m^{r} Nathan Coollidge
- m^{r} Daniel Whitney ju^{r}

Voted and Granted £3 to each of them for their Service

Voted and Choſe for Wardens miſs^{rs} John Stratton & Bez^{l}. Learned

Voted & Choſe for Sealor of Leather Isaac Sanderſon

Voted & Choſe for Fence-Viewers miſs^{r} Jonas Barnard & John Stearns

Voted & Choſe for Surveyors of High-ways miſs^{rs}: Isaac Sanderſon & Saml: Sanger

Voted & Choſe for Tything men miſs^{rs} Seth Norcroſs & Jonas Barnard

Voted & Choſe for Hogrieves Simon Coollidge ju^{r} & Jonas Coollidge —

Voted & Choſe for Surveyors of Timber plank &c
- m^{r} Jonas Coollidge
- Lt Nath^{ll}: Coollidge
- m^{r} David Sanger

Voted & Choſe for Howards miſs^{rs} Ezekiel Whitney & William Chenery
Voted & Choſe Clerks of ye markets miss^{rs} Cornelius Waldo & Eliſha Learned
Voted & Choſe Cullars of Hoops Staves &c miss^{rs}: Sam^{ll} Sanger & Sam^{ll} Cook
Voted & Choſe for Saxton m^{r} Simon Haſtings
Voted that the Saxton Shall have two Contrabutions as uſual —
Voted that Swine Shall be Shut up the Preſent year —
Voted & Choſe for a Com^{tee}: to Exmin ye Treaſurers acc^{ths}- { m^{r} Nath^{ll} Harrington, Dea^{n} Sam^{ll} Fisk, John Hunt Esqr }
Voted to appropriate the Interest money as it was last year v *
Five Shillings & four pence to ye School & the Remainder to the miniſter
Voted & Granted ye Sum of 66″13″4 as a Sallary for ye Rev^{d} *
Storer ye Enſueing year the Interest money to be part ye m
to be aſseſt

[2]

Voted & Granted ye Sum of £33″6″8 to Support ye Gramer School
Voted & Granted ye Sum of 24: - - to Support other Schools—
Voted to Chooſe a Committe to manage the Schools
Voted and Choſe for Said Committe { Dea^{n}. Samuel Fisk, Capt Daniel Whitney, m^{r} Nathl Stone, m^{r} Saml White, m^{r} David Bemis }
Voted & Granted £20 pounds to Support the poor ——
s
Voted & Granted £3″10-0 to Repair the Great Bridge
Then the accounts of thoſe perſons to whome the town is Indebted were Severally Read to the town which ammounted to the Sum of £12:7:9 and they were accepted ———
And Granted money to pay the Same ————
Then a motion was made to adjourn the meeting & the Remaining buſineſs till monday Next at one of ye Clock afternoon at the Same place and it was Voted to adjourn ye Same According - - and the moderator Declared the meeting adjourned ————

At a General Town Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town affairs

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Regularly Aſsembled at the publick meeting Houſe in Said Town on Monday ye 13th Day of march Anno: Domini 1769

Pr Adjournment—the meeting being opened at the Deſire of m^r Seth Norcrofs the Town Voted to Excuſe him from Serving Tythingman ye preſent year

Voted & Choſe m^r Joseph Hay Tythingman ——

Voted to Excuſe m^r Bezaleel Learned from Serving Warden the preſent year—Voted & Choſe m^r Edmund Fowle Warden

Voted that the late Surveyors of ye High-ways have liberty till the twentieth day of June next to work out their lists of Rates and make up their accounts ————

Voted that ye Selectmen give s^d: Surveyors Directions Where to work out Said lists of Rates or Arearges

Voted & Granted the Sum of £20 pounds to Repair ye High-ways & town-ways and that the Aſsesſors make a list [of] each perſons proportion and that ye price of labour to be as *
last year

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of Said 20 pounds and Such perſons as Refuſe or Neglect to work out their part are to pay ye Same in money with ye other town Rate The 15th article was Read and after Some Deſpute it was Put to Vote whether it be the minde of the town to Chooſe and Impower a Committe to Settle the Diſpute with the Town of Waltham Relating to the Support of the wid^o Mary Maddox and it Past in the affeirmative ————————

Voted & Choſe for Said Committe { Dea^n: Saml: Fisk / Jon^a: Brown / m^r Nathl: Harrington }

Voted that Said Committe have full power in behalf of Watertown to Settle the Diſpute with the town of Waltham Relating to the Support of wid^o Mary Maddox ————

Then Voted not to Act any thing on the Sixteenth article

Then the Committe that were Appointed to Repair ye meeting Houſe made Report that they had not Compleated the Repairs of s^d: Houſe and that the Charge of What they had already done was more than the money that was appropriated to that uſe ——

Then the town Voted and Appropriated ye Sum of £ 4 Pounds being part of ye money that m^r Patterſons pew was Sold for towards Compleating s^d: Repairs ————————

Voted that the Committee Compleat s^d: Repairs ——

Voted that ye Committe that were appointed to Repair the

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miniſterial fence be Continued and that they Repair said fence if needfull and make Report at nex may Meeting ————
Then they Voted & abated James Hays Rates in Conſtable David Sanger lists & Granted 0 : 15 : 6 :— to make it good also Voted & abated John Whites Rates in Conſtable Isaac Sanderſons lists and Grated £ 0 : 15 : 6 : 2 to make it good

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^ Benjamin Prentice on Monday the 13th Day of March AD 1769 ———
Four of ye Selectmen. Viz miſu^rs^ Moſes Stone John Kemball Jonas White & Jonathan Bemis took ye oath Required by Law Relating to other Governments Bills &c. after which the perſons after-named after taking S^d^ oath were Sworn to ye Faithfull Diſcharge of the Several offices to which they were Choſen Viz—
Dea^n^: Saml Fisk & m^r^ Moſes Stone aſseſsors ——
miſu^rs^ Nathan Coollidge & Daniel Whitney ju^r^ Conſtables ———
m^r^ Isaac Sanderſon Sealer of Leather ———
miſr^s^ Jonas Barnard & John Stearns Fence-Viewers ———
miſr^s^ Isaac Sanderſon & Samuel Sange Surveyors of High-ways
miſs^r^ Jonas Barnard & Joseph Hay Tything men ———
miſr^s^ Simon Coollidge ju^r^ & Jonas Coollidge Hogrieves ———
miſu^rs^ Jonas Coollidge Nath^ll^: Coollidge & David Sanger Surveyors of Timber &c
miſu^rs^ Ezekiel Whitney & William Chenery Howards ———
miſu^r^: Cornelius Waldo & Eliſha Learned Clerks of ye markets
miſu^rs^ Samuel Sanger & Samuel Cook Cullars of Hoops Staves &c
All Sworn p^r^ Jon^n^: Brown Town-Clerk ————
At this meeting the Selectmen Agreed with m^r^ Thomas Learned to take Care of and Board the wid^o^ Mary Maddox one Year at the Rate of 22/^s^ p^r^ week and with m^r^ Daniel Bond to take Care of and Board Mary Coollidge one year at ye Rate of 15/^s^ p^r^ week both are old Tenor and they are to have no further allowance Except in Case of Sickneſs

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^ Benjamin Prentice on monday the 27th Day of march AD 1769 ———
They Agreed with m^r^ Bez^ll^ Learned to take Care of ye Great Bridge for the preſent ————————————
and they Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay ye Several Perſons the Sums Set against their names (Viz)

To m^r^ Daniel Bond ———— 7 : 12 : 0 : 3

To mr Moſes Stone ———— 0 : 13 : 0 —
To mr Stephen Harris ——— 0 : 3 : 8 —
To mr Nathan Coollidge—— 8 : 13 : 4 —
And to each of ye perſons that keept womens Schools ye Sum *
: 8 for their Service last Summer ————

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At this meeting ye Selectmen gave the Surveyors of ye High-ways their Deſtricts as follows (Viz) To mr Samuel Sanger ye Westerly Part. From the meeting Houſe over this hill where the old Meeting Houſe Stood to mr Kemball's Corner—and the lane from School-Houſe by Lt: Whitneys to Waltham line near mr Nathaniel Harringtons Houſe. and all the South Roads to Newton line—And mr Isaac Sanderſon to have the Easterly Part. (Viz) The Road under ye Rocks & from mr Thomas Harringtons to Samuel Warrins & from thence to mr John Kemballs Corner and the Roads east of that Road that leads over ye Hill to the meeting Houſe untill you come to Cambridge line ———— it was alſo Agreed that mr John Kemball be Deſired to See that ye following late Surveyors of High-ways work out the Remainder of their lists under the Rocks (Viz) Thomas Learned, Joseph Coollidge, Richard Clark, Daniel Sawin, Edward Richardſon, Jonas Bond, Samll Maſon,
And that mr Jonas White take care that the following Perſons work out the Remainder of their lists one third part between the meeting Houſe on the Country Road to Cambridge line and one third part between ye Meeting houſe and mr John Kemballs Corner & the other third part between the Meeting-Houſe and Waltham line near mr Woodburns on the Country Road (Viz) Edward Harrington jur, Jonathan Bemis, Phinehas Stearns, Jonas Barnard, Stephen Harris, Samuel Hager ——

Watertown April ye: 8th: 1769 mr John Stratton was Sworn to the office of Warden for the preſent year ———
Pr Jona: Brown Town Clerk

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of mr Benjamin Prentice on ye 24 Day April AD 1769 ————————
They Signed an order on ye town Treaſurer to pay mr John

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Stratton the Sum of £ 10″ 4″ 0 it being in full for his keeping a writeing School nine Weeks in Watertown alſo ye Sum of ten Shillings & eight pence to m^r^ William Bond it being in full for ye uſe of a Room to keep a School in

The Selectmen being Informed that ye wife of Ephraim Wheeler and one Child was Come to Watertown to the Houſe of Jonas Coollidge and he made Complaint that they were Burdenſom to him it was Agreed that Jonathan Brown Should Apply to Samuel Livermore Esqr: for a Warrant to Remove them to Boston where they properly Belonge—at this meeting they being informed that m^r^ Thomas Learned had not Removed ye wid^o^ Mary Maddox to his Houſe it was agreed that all things Conſidered it would be best for her to Remain at m^r^ Nathan Coollidges if he will keep her at the Same price he did the last year ——

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of Jonathan Brown on Tuesday ye 16th Day of may Anno: Domini 1769

They haveing Received a Precept from ye Sheriff of ye County of midd^x^ Requiring them to aſsemble ye Inhabitants of Watertown to Chooſe a Suitable perſon or perſons to Repreſent them in a Great & General Court or aſsembly appointed to be Convened held and kept for his Majesty's Service at the Court Houſe in Boston on the thirty first day of this preſent month of may at 9 of the Clock in ye morning — In observance whereof they agreed to have a publick Town-meeting at ye publick Meeting houſe on the 22^n^ Day of may Inſtant at two of ye Clock in the afternoon for ye Choice of a Repreſentative and ordered the Clerk to Jſsue out Warrants to ye Several Conſtables to warn ye Inhabitants who are Quallified to Vote in ye Choice of a Repreſentative to meet at time & place before mentioned

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They alſo agreed to have an other meeting the Same Day and at the Same place at three of the Clock in the afternoon & Directed the Clerk to order the Constables to warn all the Inhabitants who are Qualified to Vote in town affairs to meet at Said time and place for the Ends following (Viz) First to Chooſe a moderator for S^d^: meeting (2) To hear ye Report of the Committe that were appointed to Examin the Town Treaſurers accounts & for ye Town to act thereon as they think fitt (3) To hear ye Report of the Committe that were appointed to Settle ye affairs with the Town of Waltham Relating to the Support of ye wid^o^ Mary Maddox and to grant money if ye town think fitt to carry on s^d^

affair in the Law if need be and further Impower the Committe to make a final Settlement of that and all other matters Depending between Watertown & Waltham and to Act anything thereon as the town many think best (4) To hear the Report of the Committe that were Appointed to Repair the meeting Houſe & Grant money to Compleat s^{d}: Repairs and act any thing thereon as the town think proper (5) To Hear the Report of the Committe that were appointed to Repair the fence on the Miniſterial place and for the town to Act any thing they may think Neſsecary Relating to Said affair (6) To Chooſe any town officers that may be wanting (7) To give their Repreſentative Some Inſtructions if the town think proper (8) To here the Petition of Ezekiel Whitney & others praying for Liberty to make Some alterations in Some of ye Seats in the Gallery as Setforth in Said petition and for the town to act their pleaſure thereon ————

Warrants were Issued out accordingly
Dated the next day
attest Jon^{a}: Brown Town Clec

1769 may y^{e}: 19th Jonathan Brown was Sworn in to the office of Town-Clerk. Town-Treaſurer & aſseſsor — — — — —
By John Hunt Justice Pe[ace]

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At a General Town Meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting Houſe in Said Town on Monday the 22^{n} Day of may Ann: Domini 1769 for the Choice of a Repreſentative the Major part of ye Selectmen being preſent the Votes were Called for bro^{t}: in Sorted and Counted and it appeared y^{t} Mr John Remington was Chosen to Serve for ye Year Ensueing
At a Gen^{ll} Town-Meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the publick Meeting Houſe in S^{d}: Town on Monday the 22th Day or may Anno: Domini 1769 for Transacting Sundry affairs as Setforth in the Warrants for s^{d}: meeting Voted and Chose Dea^{n}: Sam^{ll} Fisk moderator for S^{d}: meeting Voted and accepted the Report of ye Committe on the Town Treaſurers accounts—which Report is as follows (Viz)

Comttee Report

We the Subscribers being appointed by ye town to Examin the Town Treafurers Accounts have attended that Service, and finde His acc^tts well Vouch't and Right Cast

Watertown May ye 19th: 1769

John Hunt
Nath^ll Harrington } Com^tee
Sam^ll Fisk

Then the Report of ye Com^tte that were appointed to Settle ye affair Relating to ye Support of ye wid^o Mary Maddox with the town of Waltham was Read and after longe Debate thereon the Vote was put whether the town will further Impower their Committe to endeavor to Settle ye Said affair with the the Said Town of Waltham by leaveing it to arbritrators or in any other way as they may think best. and if they canot Come to a Settlement. Then for the town Treafurer to Sue for that and all other Demands—and it past in ye affirmative

Then Voted and granted the Sum of £ 13 : 6 : 8 to Carry on ye affair

Then Voted and Granted ye sum of £ 10 pounds to Repair the fence * Minifterial place

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Then the Committe made Report Relating to ye Repairs of the Meeting Houfe and the town Voted and Granted ye Sum of £ 6 : 13 : 4 to finifh Said Repairs—if any money Remains in ye Treafury that to be part and the Remainder to be afsefst ———

Then Voted and Chose m^r Simon Whitney Warden in Case m^r Fowle Refufes to Serve but if m^r Fowle accepts m^r Whitney is to be Excufed for ye prefent year ————————————

Then the Petition of Ezekiel Whitney and others was Read & after Debate thereon the Vote was put whether it be the minde of the town to Grant the prayer of the Petition

and it past in the Negative ————

1769 May ye 22 m^r Edmund Fowle was Sworn to the office of Warden by John Hunt Jus^t: peace

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houfe of m^r Edward Richardfon on monday the tenth Day of July AD 1769

They Stated ye afsize of Bread at the Rate of Wheat at Four Shillings & Eleven pence P^r. Bufhel ————————

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at this meeting m^r^ Edward Richardſon Settled his High-way List
At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^ Moſes Stone on Monday y^e^: Seventh day of August AD. 1769 ————
They being Informed that Ruth Maddox was at m^r^ Tufts's in Charlstown and is in Such Circumſtances that he is Determined to bring her emediatly to Watertown
Therefore ye Selectmen Agree with m^r^ Moſes Stone one of the Selectmen to keep her a little while and See if She gits better So as to take care of her Self again and m^r^ Stone is to have what it is worth for his Trouble

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At a meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham on the Thirtieth Day of August Anno: Domini 1769 ——
at the Houſe of m^r^ Isaac Gleaſon Inn-holder in Waltham They adjusted the Charge of Repairing the Great Bridge in Watertown which had ariſen Since the last adjustment which was on the third
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day of October last past it being for 700 feet of White oake planck Bo^t^: of Capt Mirick at 24/ P^r^ foot which ammounted to the Sum of Eight pounds eight Shillings £ 8″ 8″ 0

Watertowns part of Said Sum being — —	2″ 17″ 3″ 1
Weston Ditto being ————————	2″ 17″ 5″ 3
Walthams Ditto being ————————	2″ 13″ 3″ 0
	£8″ 8″ 0″ 0

See the Said Adjustmen Enter'd at Large in Second Book in the Treaſury ———————— Page (68) ————————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^ Edward Richardſon on the 23 Day of Oct^r^: Anno: Domini 1769 —
They Signed an order on the Town Treaſurer to pay ye Sum of 4″ 12″ 4″1 farthing to m^r^: Nathaniel Harrington which with what was ordered before makes the whole of his wages to the Sixth day of march last for keeping ye Grammer School
At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^ Benjamin Prentice on y^e^: 13th Day of Nov^r^: AD 1769 ————————
M^r^: Moſes Stone Informed ye Selectmen that he could not keep Ruth Maddox any longer, and they agreed with m^r^ Jonas Barnard to take her for one month and if She Earns more than her Board he is to allow it. and if not So much then the Selectmen are to allow him what is Right ————————

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^. Edward Richardſon on the 29th Day of November Anno: Domini 1769 They being Informed that the wid^o^ Mary Maddox was Dead they Agreed that her Funeral Should be the next Day and that m^r^ Moſes Stone Should provide Eleven pair of Gloves for men & three pair for women and that the Bell Should Tolled and m^r^ Storer be Deſired to attend, and m^r^ Moſes Stone agreed to provide Said things at the Charge of the Town

At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^ Thomas Saltmarſh on the Eleventh Day of Dec^r^: Anno: Domini 1769 They Signed an order on ye town Treaſurer to pay ye Sum of Twenty pounds to thoſe perſons that worked at the High-ways Each perſon to have what appeared he had worked out in the Lists of Samuel Sanger & Isaac Sanderſon
at this meeting m^r^ Jonas Barnard being preſent he Informed ye Selectmen that he did not chuſe to keep Ruth Maddox any Longer and that he Expected to have five Shillings and four pence and her labour for her keeping four weeks ——— and m^r^ Daniel Bond being preſent agreed to take her four weeks more at the Rate of one Shilling P^r^ week the time to begin ye thirteenth day of this preſent month ————
at this meeting D^r^: Josiah Convers Sent in his account for his attendance & medicines on the widow Mary Maddox in her last Sickneſs ammounting to ye sum of £ 1 : 4 : 8 L : M : which was accepted :
at this meeting ye Selectmen Agreed to meet at the Houſe of of m^r^ Edward Richardſon Inn-holder in Watertown on Fryday the 22th Day of this Inſtant December at four of ye Clock in ye the afternoon to sell the wearring Apparril &c: of ye widow Mary Maddox lately Deceaſt. at Publick Vendue and Directed the Clerk to Notify ye Selectmen of Waltham of the time & place of Sale and Deſire that they would aſsiſt in ye affair * to put up Notifications at Watertown & Waltham to notify the publick thereof which was accordingly don

Pr Jon^a^: Brown Town Clerk

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Fryday y^e^: 22th Day of

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December AD 1769 at the Houſe of m^{r} Edward Richardſon In order to Sell the things that belonged to the late wid^{o} Mary Maddox it being late before People appeared and the things not being in proper order for Sale they tho^{t}: it best to Adjourn the Sale to monday the first Day of January next at three of ye Clock in ye afternoon at the Same place and deſired m^{r}: Moſes Stone to See that the things were put in Proper order for Sale before s^{d}: time

At this meeting the Selectmen being acquainted that Samuel Warrin had Informed one of them that his Daughter Mary was Come to his Houſe & was Pregnant and that he was unable to take care of her it was Agreed that m^{r} Jonathan Bemis or m^{r} Jonas White Should See that a Warrant was got from a Justice of peace and the perſon y^{t} the Child is lay'd to Should be taken and Delt with as the Law Directs is Such Cases ————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at ye Houſe of m^{r} Benj^{a}: Prentice on Tuesday ye 26th Day of December AD 1769 ————

Billings Putman of Medford the Perſon that Mary Warrin has Declared her Self to be with Child by being taken and Bound over to Court — The Selectmen Agreed that m^{r} Jonas White go to Samuel Warrins and see what may be thought Neſsecary to do for his Daug^{h}ter for the Preſent and Report at their Next meeting — alſo it was agreed that Jonathan Brown Adviſe with Deacon Samuel Fisk what is best to do Relating to Rachel Goddards making Sale of her land as it is feared that She will Soon Spend what She has and become Chargable to the Town

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of m^{r}: Edward Richardſon on Monday ye first Day of January AD: 1770 ————

It being the time which ye Meeting for ye Sale of What things the wid^{o} Mary Maddox Left was Adjourn'd to a Number of People appearing the s^{d}: things were put up at Publick Vendue and Sold to the Highest Biders ammounting to ye Sum of

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of m^{r}: Benjamin Prentice on Monday y^{e}: 8th: Day of Jan:^{y} Anno: Domini 1770 ——

They Signed an order on ye Town Treaſ^{r}- to pay ye Town Creditors the Sum of £ 12″7″9 which was Granted to them the Last march Meeting—

at this meeting m^{r}: Moſes Stone Notified ye Selectmen in Writting that he has Received into his Family one Ruth Maſon

who Came last from Cambridge Some time in ye month of February last past which was accepted and is on file ———
at this meeting ye Selectmen being Informed that Mary Coollidge was in want of a Peticoat two Aprons a Waiſtcoat and an Hankercheif it was Agreed that s^{d}: things Should be Procured for her as Soon as may be with Conveniancy ———
alſo at this meeting it was Agreed that the Clerk Should Jssue out a Warrant Directed to one of ye Conſtables to warn one Hannah Flagg out of town who Reſides at the houſe of m^{r} Thomas Clark — which was accordingly Don ———
attest Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{r} Moſes Stone on Wednesday y^{e}: 17th Day of Jan^{ry}: AD 1770 ———
It was Agreed that m^{r} Moſes Stone and m^{r} Jonathan Bemis Wait upon John Hunt Esqr: to know whether he has money in his hands that he Received as fines that is for ye uſe of ye poor of ye town ~
at this meeting ye Selectmen Signed an order on the Town Treaſurer to pay himSelf ye Sum of 0 : 17 : 4 which he has Expended on the Poor

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{r} Jonas White on Monday ye fifth Day of February AD 1770 ———
They Signed an order of the town Treaſurer to pay the Sum of £ 0 : 16 : 7 : 2 farthings to m^{r} Jonas White it being For Some Clothing he procured for Mary Coollidge ———
At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on Thursday the fifteenth day of February Anno: Domini 1770 at the Houſe of m^{r} Nathaniel Coollidge it being the day which the South Pier of the Great Bridge in Watertown was Carried off by the ice it being Neſsecary that it Should be Repaired emediatly a meeting of ye Selectmen of the Three towns Concerned was tho^{t}: proper to Agreed upon Some Method to Repair Said Bridge, and was Appointed to be the Next Day at ye Houſe of m^{r}: Benjamin Prentice at one of ye Clock in ye Afternoon and ye Selectmen of Weston and Waltham were Sent to to Deſire their Attendance

At a full Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown Weston and Waltham on Fryday the Sixteenth day of Feb.^{ry} Anno: Domini 1770 at the Houſe of m^{r}: Benjn: Prentice Inn-holder in Water-

town—after viewing the Bridge it was Agreed that the Pier which was Carried off the day before by the ice Should be Rebuilt as Soon as may be and it was Agreed that a Com^{tte} of three perſons be Chosen one for each town to go to Boston and Purchase Some peices of White pine timber and git s^{d}: Work don as Soon as may be with prudence ————————

The perſons Chosen for s^{d}: Com^{tt}. were
- Capt: Jon^{a}: Brown for Watertown
- Capt: Braddyll Smith for Weston
- Capt: Jonas Dix for Waltham

and it was Agreed that ye Selectmen of each town advance Six pounds for each town to be layed out in Meterials and Labour if need be in s^{d}: Repairs ————————
and it was agreed that if either of ye Said Committe cannot * s^{d}: affair he Shall have power to appoint another * in his place

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{r}: Benjamin Prentice on Thursday ye 22^{n} Day of February AD 1770 ———
They agreed to have a Publick Town Meeting on Monday the Fifth Day of march Next at twelve of the Clock at noon at the publick Meeting Meeting Houſe and ordered ye Clerk to Jssue out Warrants Directed to ye Several Constables to warn all the freeholders & other Inhabitants who are Quallified to Vote in Town affairs to Aſsemble and Meet together at Said time & time before mentioned to Act on ye following articles (Viz)
First to Chooſe a moderator for Said Meeting (2) To Chooſe Selectmen a Town-Clerk Treaſurer & all other town officers Required by law to be Chose in the month of march annually——
(3) To Chooſe a Saxton and agree how he Shall be paid for his Service (4) To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer (5) To know the minde of ye town whether Swine Shall Run at large the Preſent year (6) To Chooſe a Com^{tt} to Examin the Town Treaſurers accounts (7) To appropriate ye Interest money Coming to ye Town ye preſent year ye year begining ye Eleventh day of December last past (8) To Grant a Sallary for ye Rev^{d}: m^{r}: Seth Storer for ye Euſueing year ye year begining the First day of march Next (9) To Grant money to Support the Schools that may be agreed upon and Act any thing thereon they may think proper (10) To grant money to Support the poor (11) To

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Grant money to Repair the Great Bridge (12) To hear ye accounts of thoſe perſons ye town is Indebted to and grant money to pay ye Same (13) To grant money to Repair ye High-ways & Town-ways and Act any thing Relating thereto as ye town may think best (14 To hear the pleas of any Late Constables for abating any perticular perſons Rates in their lists and Grant money to make them good and act any thing Else thereon as they may think proper (15) For ye town to agree upon Some meaſures to Discourage ye Importation of Goods from Great-Britain and act any thing thereon they may think best (16) To hear the Report of the Committe that were appointed to Repair ye Meeting Houſe and Act any thing thereon they may think proper (17) To hear the Report of the Committe that were appointed to Repair the fence on the miniſterial place and act any thing thereon they may think best (18) To know the minde of ye town whether they will Repair the School Houſe and act any thing Relating thereto they think proper

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You are Likewiſe to notify the town Creditors to bring in their accounts to the Selectmen at ye Houſe of m^r^: Benjn: Prentice on Fryday the Second Day of march Next at three of ye Clock in the afternoon—
alſo to Notify the Late Surveyors of High-ways to make up their accounts with ye Selectmen at the Same time and place ————
Warrants were Jssued out Accordingly
Attest Jon^a^: Brown Town-Clerk

The Procedings of ye School Com^tee^. who were Choſen by the Town of Watertown March 6th: AD 1769 ∽
At a Meeting of s^d^: Com^tee^ at the Meeting Houſe march ye 6- 1769 they Agreed to Employ m^r^: Nathaniel Harrington in keeping The Gramer School after ye Rate of 250 pounds old Ten^r^ P^r^ year to Oppen the School ye Next Day & keep till further orders ∽
At a meeting of s^d^: Com^tte^: May 21-1769 They agreed to have five Womens Schools Opened the fifth Day of June Next and to keep Eight Weeks each at two pounds old Ten^r^: p^r^ week ye miſtrises to find Rooms to keep in or allow for them out of their Wages —
Accordingly they Contracted with m^r^ Samuel Maſons wife to keep a School in — m^r^ Sam^ll^ Whites Houſe mis Kezia Stone to

keep in the East School Houſe — mis Hannah Bright to keep in m^{r} Stearns's Houſe. mis Mary Prentice to keep in her Fathers Houſe and mis Kate Saltmarſh to keep in m^{r} Bemis's Houſe —
At a meeting of s^{d}: Com^{tee}. July 24th They Agreed that the womans Schools Should be Continued three weeks longer making in the whole Eleven Weeks each ————————
At a meeting of s^{d}: Com^{tee} Nov^{r}: 23^{d}: 1769 They Agreed to Employ m^{r} John Stratton in keeping the Writing School in ye Extreem Parts of ye town at two Dollars p^{r} Week—the School to be opened in the West part of the town on Monday the 20th of this month at ye Houſe of m^{r} Wm Bond ————————
At a meeting of s^{d}: Com^{tee}. Nov^{r}: y^{e}. 23. 1769 They Agreed that the School Should be kept ten weeks in ye west part of the town - And Eleven Weeks in the East part of the town ————————
m^{r} Wm Bond to have two Dollars for the Priviledge of a Room to keep the School in.

Sam^{ll}: Fisk Pr Order ————

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on Fryday y^{e}. 2. Day of march AD 1770 at the Houſe of m^{r} Benjamin Prentice In order to Settle with ye Late Surveyors of High-ways m^{r} Jonathan Bemis & m^{r}: Saml: Hager Settled their accounts — alſo meſs^{rs}: Samuel Maſon, Edward Harrington ju^{r} Jonas Barned, Richard Clark & Phnehas Stearns and they not having Finiſhed their lists it was Agreed that they Should work out the Remainder or pay it in money or or before the first Day of May Next ————
at this meeting Sundry Perſons which the town is Indebted to Brought in their accounts Which are as follows (Viz) ————

Daniel Bond for Boarding mary Coollidge 52 weeks at 2/ p^{r} week	5 : 4 : 0
and For making and mending her Clothing ————	0 : 6 : 5
and For Boarding Ruth Maddox five weeks at 1/ p^{r} week	0 : 5 : 0
	5 : 15 : 5
M^{r}. Nathan Coollidge Bro^{t}: in his account for Boarding ye wid^{o} Mary Maddox and Nurſing &c in her last Sickneſs ammounting to	11 : 5 : 3
Mr Jonas Barnard bro^{t}: in an Account for Boarding Ruth Maddox four Weeks at 1/4 p^{r} week which comes to	0 : 5 : 4

mr Moſes Stone brot: in an Account for Providing for the wido Mary Maddox's Funeral being ———....—	1: 1 : 8
and for Cash paid for mending the School Houſe Glaſs	0 : 12 : 8
	1 : 14 : 4

The following Accounts were brot: to be laid before the town (Viz)

To Simon Haſtings for Labour & meterials &c	1″ 4″ 4
To Bezaleel Learned for Labour at ye Great Bridge	1″ 0″ 4
To Deaⁿ. Samll Fisk for Serving aſseſsor ye year past	0″ 16″ 0
To mr Moſes for like Service	0″ 16″ 0
To Jona Brown for Serving Treaſurer & aſseſsor	3″ 9″ 4
	7″ 6″ 0

At Sd: Meeting mr David Coollidge Sent in a Notification Informing that he had taken a perſon in to his Family ———— alſo Mr Richard Clark Sent in a Notification Informing he had Received one into his family as appears Pr their *
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At a Genll: Town-Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled & meet at the publick Meeting Houſe in Sd: town on Monday the fifth day of March AD 1770 for the Choice of town officers as Setforth in ye Warrants and to act on the other articles therein Contained—

Voted & Choſe mr: Nathaniel Stone Moderator

Voted & Choſe for Selectmen
- Jona: Brown
- mr Moſes Stone
- mr Jonas White
- mr Jona: Bemis
- mr Nehemiah Maſon

Voted and Choſe Jona: Brown Town-Clerk & Town Treaſurer

Voted & Choſe Aſseſsors
- Jona: Brown
- mr Moſes Stone
- Deaⁿ Samll: Fisk

Voted & Choſe for Constables miſsrs Edward Richardſon & Jedh: Leath

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Voted that there Shall be Collectors of Tax's Chosen ———
Voted & Choſe ye Constables ye Collectors of Tax's ———
Voted to allow ye Collectors £ 3 pounds each for their Service
Voted that ye Collectors give Bond to the town to oblidge them Selves to pay in the Tax's at Such time as ye Selectmen shall appoint
Voted & Chose Wardens miſs^us^. Samuel Sanger & John Stearns —
Voted & Choſe Sealer of Leather m^r^ Jsaac Sanderſon ———
Voted & Choſe miſs^rs^ Elijah Bond & Richard Clark Fence-Viewers
Voted & Choſe Surveyor of High-Ways Chris^r^-Grant ju^r^ & Eires Tainter
Voted & Choſe Tythingmen Ebenezer Stetſon & John Tainter junior
Voted & Choſe Hogrieves David Whitney & John Vila ——
Voted & Choſe Surveyors of Timber &c { L^t^. Nath^ll^. Coollidge / m^r^ David Sanger / m^r^ Jonas Coollidge }
Voted & Choſe Howards John Chenery & Moſes Hager
Voted & Choſe Nath^ll^ Coollidge & Stephen Harris Clerks of ye Market
Voted & Choſe Cullars of Hoops Staves &c Sam^ll^ Cook & Nath^ll^ Coollidge
Voted & Choſe Simon Haſtings Saxton and that he be paid by two Contrebutions as Uſual ——
Voted that Swine be kept Shut up the Enſueing year
Voted & Choſe for a Com^tte^ to Eamin ye Treaſ^r^ acc^tts^ { Dea^n^ Sam^ll^ Fisk / m^r^ Moſes Stone / m^r^ Nath^ll^. Harrington }
Voted to Appropriate ye Interest money as it was last year (Viz) five Shillings * pence to ye School & the Remainder to the Miniſter ———

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Voted & Granted ye Sum of 66 : 13 : 4 as a Sallary for ye Rev^d^ m^r^ Seth Storer for ye year Euſueing the Intereſt money to be part the Remainder to be aſseſt ———
Voted & Granted ye Sum of 33 : 6 : 8 to Support ye Grammer School
Voted to Grant money to Support other Schools ———
Voted & Granted ye Sum of £ 24 pounds to Support s^d^. Schools
Voted to Chooſe a Committe to manage and Inſpect ye Schools
Then the (15) articles was Reed and it was put to vote Whether

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the town will do any thing to Discourage ye Importation of Goods from Great-Britain and it Past in ye Affirmative ——
Then Voted to Choofe a Committe to Consider what is proper for the town to act in ye affair and Report at ye Adjournment of this meeting

Voted & Chofe for S^d^: Committe ——
- Dea^n^. Sam^ll^: Fisk
- Capt: Daniel Whitney
- Jon^a^: Brown
- m^r^ Nathl Stone
- m^r^ Mofes Stone
- m^r^ John Remington
- m^r^ Thomas Clark

Then they Voted and Granted ye Sum of £ 20 to Support ye poor
Then voted and adjourned this meeting with ye Remaining Bufinefs to thursday Next at two of ye Clock afternoon at this place ———

The Com^tee^. y^t^ were Chofen to manage ye Schools are
- Capt: Daniel Whitney
- m^r^ Sam^ll^ White
- m^r^ Nathl Stone
- m^r^ Sam^ll^ Sanger
- m^r^ Thomas Clark

Watertown March y^e^. 8. 1770 Jonathan Brown was Sworn to the offices of Town-Clerk Town-Treafurer & Afsefsor
By John Hunt Justice Peace ——
At a Gen^ll^ Town Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitant of Watertown Regularly Afsembled at the Publick meeting-Houfe on Thursday the Eighth day of march Ann: Domini 1770 Pr Adjournment—the meeting being Opened—
They Voted and Granted ye Sum of £ 14 to Repair ye Great Bridge—
Then the accounts of thofe Perfons the Town is Indebted to were Read ammounting to the Sum of 7 : 6 : 0 then Voted and Granted money to pay the Same

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Then Voted and Granted ye Sum of 40 pounds to Repair the High-ways and town-ways ————
Voted that the afsefsors make out lists of each perfons Proportion of s^d^: £ 40 pounds and if any perfon or perfons Neglect or Refufe to work out their s^d^: Proportion that they Shall pay it with their town Rate in money——Voted that ye price of Labour be the Same it was last year

Then the Committe appointed to make a Draught of Some Proper Votes and Refovles to Discourage ye Importation of Goods from Great Britaine Prefented a Draught which was unanimoufly Voted and accepted and is on file ————
Voted that the town Clerk Transmit an attested Copy of the Same to ye Committee of merchants in Boston
Then ye Committe that were appointed to Repair ye meeting-Houfe Layed their accounts before ye town which were Voted & accepted and Voted that they Compleat S^d^: Repairs ————
Then ye Committe y^t^: were Appointed to Repair ye fence on the Minifterial place Reported what they had don on that affair and their accounts being Read they were Voted and accepted and they were Directed to Compleat the Same ————
Then the (18) article was Read Relating to the Repairing the School-Houfe and it was Voted to Repair the Same and that the Selectmen take Care to git Said work don
Then the meeting was Difsolved ————————

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houfe of m^r^ Benjamin Prentice the Same Evening after ye Selectmen had Taken the money Oath the following perfons after taking S^d^. oath were Sworn to the faithfull Discharge of the Several offices to which they were Chosen (Viz) ————
mifs^r^ Sam^ll^: Fisk & Mofes Stone afsefsors ————————
m^r^ Jedidiah Leath Constable mifr^s^ Sam^ll^ Sanger & John Stearns Wardens
m^r^ Isaac Sanderfon Sealer of Leather m^r^ Richard Clark Fence Viewer
m^r^ Christopher Grant ju^r^ & m^r^ Eires Tainter Surveyors of Highways
m^r^fs David Whitney & John Vila Hogrieves ————
L^t^: Nath^ll^. Coollidge m^r^ David Sanger & Jonas Coollidge Surveyors of Timber &c
mifr^s^ John Chenery & Mofes Hager Howards
mifs^r^ Nath^ll^: Coollidge and Stephen Harris Clerks of ye Market
mifs^r^ Samuel Cook & Nath^ll^ Coollidge Cullars of Hoops Staves &c
Sworn by Jon^a^: Brown Town Clerk

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At this meeting ye Selectmen Agreed with m^r^ Daniel Bond to take Care of and Board Mary Coollidge one year at the Rate of

three s/ and four pence P^{r} week and to have further Allowance in Case of *
Alſo at this meeting Agreed to approbate & Recomend m^{r} Ezekiel Hall to be a Retailor in the Room of m^{r} Cornelius Waldo ——
At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{r} Benjamin Prenti[ce] on the 14th Day of march Anno: Domini 1770 ———
They Agreed with m^{r} Samuel Warrin to take Care of His Daugh[ter] for one Dollar p^{r} Week till further Orders and m^{r} Jonas White is to Supply him to that Value in Such things as is Neſsecary for his Family as it becomes due Weekly ————

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{r} Benjamin Prentice on Monday the 19th Day of march Anno: Domini 1770—
They Signed orders on ye Town Treaſurer for ye Sum of 66: 13: 4 to be paid to the Rev^{d}: m^{r}. Seth Storer for his last years Sallary & to pay m^{r}: Nath^{ll}: Harrington ye Sum of 20 pounds in part for his keeping ye Gramer School the last year and ye Sum of 2 : 18 * to each of Miſstreſses that kept the womans School ye last * alſo the Sum of 5 : 15 : 5 to m^{r} Daniel Bond it being in full for his Boarding Mary Coollidge & other things which he did for her and for his Boarding Ruth Maddox—
at this meeting it was Agreed that Jonathan Brown take Care that Billings Putman's Bonds be Continued to may Cour[t]
At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on ye 2^{n}. Day of April AD: 1770 at the Houſe of Jonathan Brown —— They Signed orders on the Town Treaſurer the Sum of £ 9 : 5 : 8 to ye Committee that were appointed to Repair the fence on ye Miniſterial place in ye following
(Viz) To Capt: Daniel Whitney £ 4 : 2 : 0 To Capt: Edward Harrington £ 3 : 2 : 8 and to m^{r} Jonas White . . . 2 : 0 : 0 ———— and the Sum of £ 1 : 4 : 8 To D^{r}: Josiah Convers for taking Care of ye wid^{o} Mary Maddox in her last Sickneſs and ye Sum of £ 11 : 5 : 3 to m^{r} Nathan Coo[*] for his Boarding & nurſing &c: and the Sum of £ 9 : 3 : 4 to Nathaniel Harrington which makes the whole of his * keeping the Grammer School ————

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At Said Meeting they Signed an other order to pay m^{r} Jonas White the Sum of £ 2 : 8 : 4 in full of his Accounts & ye Sum of £ 4 : 8 : 1 : 2 to m^{r} Moſes Stone in full of his Acc^{tts}

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[Th]ey Gave the Surveyors of High-ways there Deſtricks as they were the Last year See y^e^ (5) Page of this Book
m^r^ Jonas White was Deſired to Inquire into ye Circumſtances of Samul Warrins Daughter and Report at ye next meeting and it was Agreed that each of ye Selectmen Should See if either of them Can find a place for Ruth Maddox as m^r^ White Informed that he could not keep her any longer and if So to make it known at the Next meeting ————————
They Agreed to meet again on the Next monday at four of the Clock afternoon at the Houſe of m^r^ Benjamin Prentice to Transact other affairs

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^ Thomas Saltmarſh on monday ye 9th Day of April AD. 1770 ——
They Signed on order on ye town Treaſurer to pay the Sum of £ 1 : 14 : 4 to m^r^ Moſes Stone in full of his accounts ————
They Signed Indentures to bind Tabitha Learned Daughter to the late m^r^ Jonas Learned to m^r^ Jedidiah Leath She being a Poor Child — they alſo agreed to give m^r^ Leath the Sum of £ 2 : 8 : 0 to Cloth her with to be paid out of the next aſseſsment ————
It was agreed that m^r^ Jonas White Should git ye towns Scales & weights from m^r^: Fowls and Diliver them to ye preſent Clarks of ye Markets — alſo it was agreed that m^r^ Moſes Stone Should take Ruth Maddox when She is bro^t^: to him and keep her four weeks and be paid by the town half a Pistereen p^r^ Week for keeping her — alſo agreed that Samuel Warrin be allow'd 2/^s^ p^r^ week for keeping his Daughter Mary & Child till ye first monday in may next
And at this meeting it was Agreed to meet ye first Monday in Each month for the preſent year ————

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on ye Seventh Day of may the Houſe of m^r^: Bezaleel Learned Anno: Domini 1770
They haveing Received a Precept fro my^e^ Sheriff of ye County [of] Middleſex Requiring the Town to be aſsembled to make C[hoice] of a perſon to Repreſent the town in a Great & General Co[urt] to be Convened held and kept for his Majesty's Service at Ha[rvard] Coledge in Cambridge on Wednesday the 30th: day of may 17[70]
They Ordered he Clerk to Jssue out a Warrant Directed to the Constable to Warn ye free holders & other Inhabitants who are

Quallified to Vote in ye Choice of a Repreſentative to meet at the Publick meeting in S^d^: Town on monday ye 14th day of this Instant may for ye purpose aboveSaid ————
alſo to Warn the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs to aſsemble on the Day afore Said to meet at the publick-meeting on ye Same Day at 3th of the Clock afternoon to act on the following Articles (Viz) First to Choose a moderator for S^d^: meeting (2^ly^) To Choose a Committee to Examin ye Treaſurers accounts & to act thereon as they think fitt. 3^ly^ For the town to act any thing Relating to the Support of Mary Warrin and her Child and do any thing Relating thereto they may think best. 4^ly^: For ye town to come into Some Method to Improve a Small peice of Land now Lying within ye town of Cambridge that belongs to the town of Watertown and act any thing Relating there[to] they may think proper. 5th To know ye minde of ye town whether they will joine with ye other towns Concerned in ye Support of the Great Bridge in Petitioning ye General Court for Some Releif in Suppor[t of] Said Bridge and do anything Relating thereto they may think pr[oper]. 6^ly^ For the town to Chooſe any town officers in ye Roome of any that w[ere] Choſe in the month of march Last who Refuse or Neglect to take the oaths Required by law to be taken. 7^ly^: to hear the pleas of any of the Constables for abating any perſons Rates in their lists and act any thing thereon they may think best. 8^ly^: For ye town to Agree upon Some Method for the more Speedy Collecting ye Interas money due to the town, and for to manefest their minds Relating to a Number of the Bonds which it is thought ought to [be] Renewed, and for ye town to give their Treaſurer Su[ch direc]tions Relating thereto they may think proper.

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[9]^ly^ To hear the Report of any Committe or Committees that have been Chosen for any Services and act thereon as they think proper.
To Grant any Sums of money to finish the fence on ye miniſterial place, and to Repair the School-Houſe and for other Services as the town may think proper. ————
Warrant was Jssued out Accordingly
Attest Jon^a^: Brown Town-Clerk

At Said Meeting the Selectmen Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay ye Sum of £ 12 : 12 : 0 to m^r^ John Stratton it being in

full for what was due to him for keeping ye writing School.—alſo to pay the Sum of £ 2. 17 : 3 : 1 To Capt: Mireck & m^r^ Jonas Harrington of Weston for Planck which they bro^t^: to the Great bridge

At a Gen^ll^: Town-Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Qualified to Vote in ye Choice of a Repreſentative Regularly Aſsembled at the publick Meeting Houſe in S^d^: Town on Monday the 14th Day of may AD 1770— The Meeting being Opened and the Votes being Called for bro^t^. in Sorted and Counted it Appeared that m^r^ John Remington Was Chosen by a large Majority ——————————

At a Gen^ll^ Town-Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Qualified to Vote in town Affairs Regularly aſsembled at the Publick Meeting House in s^d^: town on Monday ye 14th: Day of may A D 1770 for Transacting Sundry affairs as Setforth in the Warrant for s^d^: meeting &c
Voted & Choſe John Hunt Esqr: Moderator of S^d^: meeting ——
Voted & Accepted the Report of the Committe apointed to
See y^e^ (26) Page
Examin the Treaſurers Accounts ——————————
Voted the the affair Relating to Mary Warrin and Child be left to the * tion of the Selectmen ——————
* nd Impowered the Selectmen in behalf of ye Town to
* ut or otherwise Improve that peice of land at

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Thatchers Bank now in Cambridge that belongs to Water[town] in Such a Manner as they think will be most for the Ad[van]tage of the town
Voted that the Repreſentative joine with the other towns in Supporting the Great-Bridge in Petitioning the Great & [General] Court for Some Relief in the Support of s^d^: Bridge
Voted and Chose m^r^ Jsaac Sanderſon to Serve Constable in the Roo[m of] m^r^: Edwd: Richardſon ——————————
Voted and Chose m^r^: James Hay Tythingman in ye Room of m^r^ Ebenezer Stetſon who was Excuſed from Serving this year —
Voted that the town Treaſurer be Directed to Collect all the money due to the town before Eleventh day of December and git Such of the Bonds Renewed as is Needful by first day of August

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next or otherwise Diliver them to Attorney to be put in Suit——
Voted and Granted £ 4 pounds to finiſh the fence on ye Miniſ[terial] Place ———
Voted & Granted ye Sum of £ 1 : 1 : 0 to Sattisfie the Accounts for Warning out perſons taken in by the wid^o^: Suſanna murch James Vila Deceast. Benjamin Felton, Josiah Stowel, & Eb[*] Goddard, Deceast
Voted and Granted 0 : 10 : 0 to pay Jonathan Brown for writings don for the town ————

At this meeting Jsaac Sanderſon was Sworn to ye office of Constable and John Tainter ju^r^ to ye office of Tythingman ———
Pr John Hunt Jus: peace

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^ Bez[aleel] Learned on the 16th. day of may AD 1770 ————
They Signed an order on the town Treaſurer to pay m^r^ Joh[n] Stratton £ 12 : 12 : 0 for keeping the writing School last [year] and to pay the Sum of 2 : 17 : 3 :1 to Capt. Mirick [and] Jonas Harrington for Plank they bro^t^: to the Bridge

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^ Edward Richardſon on Monday ye 11th: Day of June. 1770—
[In] order to Sell or lease the Landing place at Thatchers [Ba]nk (So Called) lying within the Bounds of Cambridge the Selectmen of Cambridge having Sent a Letter Desireing [a] Conference with ye Selectmen of Watertown on ye affair Before they Proceeded to do any thing Relating to ye Said Leaſeing or Selling S^d^: Landing place, which was greed to and they ordered the Clerk to notifie the Selectmen of Cambridge that they would meet them at m^r^: Edward Richardſons in Watertown Next Fryday at five of the Clock P: M: to Confear on ye S^d^: affair ————
Which was don Accordingly Attest Jon^a^: Brown Town Cler

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye Houſe of m^r^ Edwardſon on Fryday June y^e^. 15th: 1770———The Selectmen of Cambridge being preſent made Some Claim ot the Landing at Thatchers Bank

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in Cambridge and use'd Sundry Arguments [to] make out their Claim which the Selectmen did not think proper to acceed to— therefore it was agreed that the Selectmen of each town meet again on Monday ye Second day of July Next at Said Landing place to See if they can agree upon any Method to put an end to any Difpute about Said Landing place ————

At this meeting ye Selectmen being informed that m^r^ William Goding is in Very Needy Circumftances it was agreed that m^r^: Nehemiah Mafon Should go to his Houfe and See what he is in prefent want of and Releive for ye prefent ——

And it was Agreed at this meeting that the Town Clerk write an order to the Selectmen of Weston to pay Cap^tt^: Mirick and m^r^ Jonas Harrington ju^r^ for what Planck they Bro^t^: to the Great Bridge in Watertown ————————

Watertown may 10th. 1770

The Com^tee^ Appointed to Examin the Town Treafurers Acc^ts^ march ye 4- 1770 — Report as followeth (Viz) Upon Examination of ye town Treafurers acc^tts^ find them well Vouch't and Right Cast

Sam^ll^ Fisk
Mofes Stone } Com^tee^
Nath^ll^ Harrington

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham on Monday ye 25th Day of June AD 1770 at the Houfe of L^t^: Nathaniel Coollidge. it was Agreed that the Committe that were Chofen on the Siteenth day of Feb^ry^ last to Repair the great Bridge Should Proceed to Finish Said Repairs as Soon as Conveniantly may be and to do it Such way and Manner as they think best of the Towns Concerned ————————————

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown & Cambridge on the Second day of July AD 1770 at the Landing Place near m^r^ Thatchers after Viewing the Same they agreed to meet again on Monday Next and Lay open the way to the River and Divide ye landing between the towns to prevent any further Dispute about ye Same

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on the Ninth day of July the Selectmen of Cambridge being present after Viewing the landing place above Mentioned it was tho^t^: best to make Some alterations with m^r^ Seth Hastings in the way to s^d^: Landing place and Collonel Thomas Oliver being Present. at the Desire of the Se-

lectmen of each town he undertook to Stake out the way according to Some Purpoſals that had been made for the Confirmation of ye Selectmen if they tho^t^: proper. it was alſo agreed that the S^d^: way Should be opened by ye first day of November next —
At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^ Bez^ll^ Learned on Thursday the sixth Day of Sep^r^: 1770—They Approved of the following perſons Renewing their Licences (Viz)
miſs^res^. Edward Richardſon, Bezaleel Learned, Nathaniel Cooll[idge,] and Thomas Wellington to be Inn-holders, and miſu^s^ Io * White, Ezekiel Hall, Josiah Capen, and John H * to be Retailors ———

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^ Moſes Stone on Thursday ye 20th day of Sepr. AD 1770 ———
They Signed an order on the town Treaſurer to pay the Sum of Six pounds to miſs^rs^ Daniel Whitney & Nathan Coollidge Each to have three pounds it being what was Granted them for Collecting the Tax's the year past ————————————————
and Whereas Ruth Maddox is turned upon the Selectmen to take care of & at preſent they cannot finde any perſon that Jnclines to take her. They have Agreed to meet at the Houſe of m^r^ Edward Richardſon on the first monday of October next at five of the Clock afternoon to put her out for ye preſent to the perſon that will take her on the most eaſie Terms for the Town. ———

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown Weston and Waltham of ye 17th. Day of Sep^r^: AD 1770 at the Houſe of m^r^ Isaac Gleaſon Inn-holder in Waltham They Adjusted & Proportioned the Charge of Repairing & maintaining the Great Bridge in Watertown the year past ammounting to the Sum of £ 47 : 6 : 1 : 3 and Signed the Same which is Entered at Large in ye Second Book in ye Treaſury Page (69) —
At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^: Edward Richardſon on Monday ye first Day of Octr AD: 1770 —
In order to put out Ruth Maddox, but as there was not any perſon that Appeared that was Willing to take her ye Selectmen Agreed with m^r^: Ebenezer Stone ju^r^ to keep her a few days Longer till they can finde Some other Place for her & he is to have Such Allowance therefor as it may be worth ————

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at this meeting the Selectmen agreed that m^r^ Jonas White or m^r^ Jonathan Bemis take Care to git the High-way under the Rocks repaired as Soon as may be & that m^r^ Moſes Stone & Jonathan Brown git the High-way from Jeniſons Hill (So Called) to m^r^ David Coollidges Repaired as Soon as may be and Such perſons as will work, it Shall be allow'd *
of their Next years High-way Rate ———

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown & Cambridge on the 19th: Day of November 1770 ∽
In order to Settle the Dispute with Regard to the Landing and way thereto on Charls-River on the South Side of Samuels Hill (So Called) The Selectmen of Watertown voted unanimously
First that the Road or way Leading down to the Landing place on Charls River by the Side of Samuels Hill Is the Kings High-way ∽
Secondly that any Gates Barrs or Fence acroſs said way is not to be Considered as continued by the Consent of us the Selectmen of Watertown (Viz) Because it is the Kings High-way ———

Jon^a^: Brown
Moſes Stone
Jonas White
Jonathan Bemis
Nehemiah Maſon

At a Meeting of y Selectmen of Cambridge on ye 19th day of Novr. 1770 —
In consideration of the above Vote of the Selectmen of Watertown and for Divers other Considerations Unanimously Voted ——
1 That the Road or way leading down to the Landing Place on Charls-River by ye Side of Samuels Hill Js is Kings High-way ∽
2^ly^ That any Gate Barrs or Fence acroſs Said way is not to be Considered as continued by the Consent of us the Selectmen of Cambridge (Viz) Because it is the King's High-Way ∽

W^m^: Brattle
Eben^r^: Stedman
Edwd, Marrett
Joseph Wellington
Joseph Adams ju^r^
Thos: Gardiner

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At the Meeting of ye Selectmen of Cambridge & Watertown Mentioned on the other Side the following Agreement was Entered into to be Laid before each town for Confirmation (Viz)

Cambridge November the 19th Day 1770

Be it remembered that on the 19th Day of Novr 1770 ——
The Selectmen of Cambridge and the Selectmen of Watertown being meet together to determin the Respective Rights of the two towns aforesaid to the Landing place on Charls-River by the Side of Samuels Hill in Cambridge aforesaid, It was mutually agreed upon by & Between The Selectmen of said Towns that the Choice of the two parts of Said Landing place Should be Determined by Lott, and Thereupon two Lotts being Cast, On the One the word North being Wrote & on the other the word South being wrote, They being put into a Hat and being Drawn out, The Lott North was Drawn by The Selectmen of the Town of Cambridge, and the Lott South by The Selectmen of the town of Watertown, Whereupon it was Agreed by and between the Selectmen of the Said Towns of Cambridge & Watertown That the Moiety or one half part of Said Landing Place from the North Be and Remain to the Said Town of Cambridge For Ever — And that the other Moiety or half part of Said Landing place from the South Be and Remain unto the Said Town of Watertown For Ever In Witnefs whereof the Selectmen of Said Towns of Cambridge and Watertown have Hereunto Interchangably Set their Hands the day and year afore written

Jon^{a}: Brown Mofes Stone Jonas White Jonathan Bemis Nehemiah Mafon	Selectmen of Watertown	Wm Brattle Eben^{r} Stedman Edwa^{d} Marrett Joseph Wellington Joseph Adams ju^{r} Thos Gardner	Selectmen of Cambridge

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houfe of Jonathan Brown on Monday the 3^{d} Day December Anno: Domini 1770
It was Agreed that Mifs^{rs}, Mofes Stone Jonas White & Nehemiah Mafon being the Major part of ye Selectmen attend the Quarter Sefsions the Next Day at Charlstown and Endavour that the Town be Secured from the Charge of Maintaining Mary Warrins Child ————

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on Thursday y^{e}: 20th Day of December Anno: Domini 1770 at the Houſe of L^{t}: Nathaniel Coollidge ————
Ruth Maddox being Destitute of a place and m^{r} Ebenezer Stone ju^{r} Jnforming the Selectmen that he cant keep her any Longer— Jt was Agreed that m^{r} Moſes Stone take her the Next Day and keep her half the time till the next march Meeting for the Choice of Town officers &c, and that m^{r} Jonathan Bemis keep her the other half part of Said time till Said Meeting, and if She Dont earn her Board they are to have any Sum they think it is Worth not Exceeding one pistereen p^{r} week ———
At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{r} Nehemiah on Fryday the 28th Day of December Anno: Domini 1770
To Consider what is proper to be don Relating to Sarah Learneds Child it being Dilivered to the Selectmen to take Care of ———
It was Agreed to take the advice of m^{r} Sewall whether he tho^{t}: it was the poor of Watertown or Boston and Proceed according to his advice Relating thereto. and it was Agreed that miſs^{rs} Moſes Stone and Jonas White wait on m^{r} Sewall Next monday morning and proceed in the affair According to his Advice & Direction ————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of L^{t}: Nathaniel Coollidge on the 11th Day of Jan^{ry}: Anno: Domini 1771 ———
Miſs^{rs} Jsaac Sanderſon & Jedidiah gave Bond to the town Treaſurer for their faithfull Collecting & paying in ye Tax's
The Selectmen Signed orders on ye town Treaſurer for allowing the High-way Rate out of ye town Rate to Such as had worked it out alſo an order to pay ye Rev^{d}: m^{r} Seth Storer his Sallary for ye present year it being £ 66″ 13^{s} : 4^{d} and the Sum of £ 7 : 6 : 0— to the town Creditors which was granted them at last march meeting ————————
at this meeting it was agreed that m^{r} Moses Stone provide Some Neceſsary things for Clothing for Ruth Maddox and bring in his account & be paid out of the Treaſury

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The Proceedings of the School Committe for ye year 1770 —
At a Meeting of s^{d}: Com^{tt}. ye 5th day of march 1770 at ye meeting houſe They Agreed that m^{r} Nathaniel Harrington keep

the Grammer School till their next Meeting ———————
At a Meeting of S^{d}: Com^{tte} at the Houſe of m^{r}: Benjn. Prentice on the 22^{n} Day of march. 1770 It was Agreed that m^{r} Harrington Should keep the Grammer School one Month from ye march meeting if he is willing. and it was further Agreed that three of the Committe (Viz) Miſs^{rs}. Thomas Clark Sam^{ll} White and Samuel Sanger Should take care to provide another Master to take the School whem Master Harringtons time is up — and it Appearing that m^{r}: Harrington was not willing to keep any Longer the Com^{tte}. Agreed with Nathanial Bond for a Quarter of a year to begin the Second day of April and he to have at the Rate of 33 : 6 : 8 P^{r} year ———————————
At a Meeting of ye Committee at the Houſe of m^{r}: Edward Richardſon on the 4th Day of June 1770 it was Agreed to have five womens School to begin on the Eleventh day of June Inſtant (Viz) Sarah Learned to keep one at the Houſe of m^{r}: Bezaleel Stephen Whitney's wife at their Houſe, Hannah Bright at her fathers Houſe, Christopher Grant juniors wife at their Houſe, & Kezia Stone at the New-School Houſe
July ye 30- 1770 ———
At a Meeting of the School Com^{tte} at the Houſe of m^{r}: Nathaniel Coollidge it was Agreed that the womens Schools Should be kept four weeks Longer, which will be twelve weeks in the whole and will Extend to ye first day of September and it was Agreed that m^{r}: Bond be Desired to keep ye Gram^{r} School an other Quarter, which he did and began on the thirteenth day of August. ———
At a meeting of ye School Com^{tte} on the 22th day of Nov^{r}: at the Houſe of m^{r}: Bezaleel Learned M^{r}: Bond being yet in the it was Determined that he Should keep out an other Quarter if he be willing

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At Said Meeting it was Agreed that the wrighting Schools at the New School-Houſe begin on Monday next but m^{r} Stratton Desireing to have one Week to turn himself and Settle his own Buſineſs He promised to open Said School on Monday the third day of December next and to keep it for two Dollars a Week or Eighteen pounds old Tenor p^{r} month ———————————
On Tuesday the 4th Day of Dec^{r}: 1770. The School Committe Meet at the Houſe of M^{r}: Nathaniel Coollidge and m^{r}: Bond having Said he Chooſe to leave the Grammer School.—It was agreed that each one of the Com^{tte} Should inquire and look out for an other Maſter ————

At a Meeting of the School Com^{tt} on the 14th Day of Dec^{r} —— at the Houſe of m^{r}: Nathaniel Coollidge M^{r}: Bond being yet in the School — It was Agreed that m^{r}: Thomas Clark be Deſired to Desire M^{r}: Bond to keep the Grammer School till March Meeting And in Case he Refuse Leiv^{t}. Whitney & M^{r}: Sam^{ll} White were to try for m^{r} Nathaniel Harrington ju^{r}

At a Meeting of the School Comm^{tt} the 23th: Day of Jan^{ry} 1771 — It was Agreed that the writting School Should be keept Nine weeks in each part of the town, The Easterly part of ye town to have one Week Longer, In as much as the School-Houſe is their own ———

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{r} Bezaleel Learned on Monday the 11th: day of February AD 1771. —— It being thought Neceſsary to put Some timber under Tredaways Bridge (So Called) to Support that part that yet Remains to prevent any Damage being don by its falling when men or Horſes & Carriages are paſsing over the Same. the Selectmen Desired Some of the Neighbours to aſsiſt which they did & partly Secured the Same. and Agreed that Jonathan Brown Compleat the work the next day if the weather Permit. and that the Expence be paid out of the Treaſury ———
at this meeting it was agreed that m^{r} Moſes Stone take the widow Tabitha Learneds Child for the present ———

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 18th day of Feb^{ry}: AD 1771 at the Houſe of m^{r} Thomas Wellington They Agreed to have a Publick Town Meeting on Monday the 4th Day of march Next at 12^{n} of ye Clock at noon at the publick Meeting Houſe in S^{d}: Town. and ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants directed to ye Several Constables to warn & all ye free-holders and others Inhabitants of Watertown to Aſsemble & meet at Said time & place for the Ends following (Viz) First to Chooſe a moderator for said Meeting (2^{ly}) To Chooſe Selectmen a Town-Clerk and Treaſurer and all other town officers Required by law to be Choſe in the month of march annually (3^{ly}) To Chooſe a Saxton & agree how he Shall be paid for his Service (4^{ly}) To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer and Register (5^{ly}) To know the minde of the town whether Swine Shall

Run at large ye Present year (6^ly^) To Chooſe a Committe to Examin ye town Treaſurers acc^tts^ (7^ly^) To Appropriate ye Interest mony coming to the town ye present year—(8^ly^) To grant a Sallary for ye Rev^d^: m^r^: Seth Storer for the year ensueing it begining the first day of march Next. (9^ly^) To grant money to Support the Schools that may be Agreed upon & act anything thereon the town may think proper (10^ly^) To grant money to Support ye poor (11th) To grant money to Repair the great Bridge & Treadways Bridge (So Called) and act any thing thereon the town may think proper — (12th) To hear the Accounts of those persons that the town is Indebted to & grant money to pay the Same (13th To grant money to Repair the Highways & town-ways and Act any thing thereon the town may think proper, (14th) To hear the pleas of any of the Late Constables for abating any Perticular persons Rates in their lists & to Act any thing thereon they think best. (15th) To hear what ye Selectmen have don Relating to ye Landing place at Samuels Hill (So Called) and to act anything further thereon they may think proper, (16^ly^) To know the minde of the town Whether they will Erect two School Houſes one in the Westerly, and the other in the Easterly part of the town and Whether ye Grammer School Shall be kept one half of the time at one end of ye town and the other half at the other end of the town and to act any thing Relating to ye Building s^d^: School-Houſes &c. as the town may think proper, alſo to Notifie the town Creditors to bring in ther accounts to ye Selectmen at Houſe of L^t^: Nathaniel Coollidge on Fryday the first day of march Next at 4 of the Clock afternoon

[Warrants] Issued accordingly

Pr Jon^a^: Brown Town-Clerk —

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At ye Said Meeting it was Agreed that m^r^: Moſes Stone Should Desire M^r^: Simon Hastings Set the Bell of ye Meeting Houſe up again & Repair the Wheel and bring his Account to ye Selectmen at their Meeting the first day of march Next

at this meeting they Received a Notification from m^r^ John Remington that he Received into his houſe one Mary Benjamin from Concord on the Sixth day of October A. D. 1770 ————

alſo one from m^r^ Jonas White that he Received one George Allen who came from Boston in the month of June A. D. 1770

at this Meeting they Signed an order on ye Treaſurer to pay Sixteen pounds to ye School miſtreſses

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye House of m^r^ Jonathan Bemis on ye 19 Day of Feb^ry^: A. D. 1771. Mr Phinehas Stearns gave in Notifications that on ye 15th Day of April AD 1769 he Received into his Houſe one John Hackleton & Bethiah his wife who Came last from Dorchester on ye Day afore Said ⌣ alſo that he had Received one Stephen Wellman into his Houſe in ye month of October A. D. 1769 who came last from Malden ——. m^r^: Nehemiah Maſon gave in a Notification that on ye 18 day of may 1767 he Received into his Houſe one Simeon Pratt who came last from Boston on the day afore Said — alſo that he Received into his Houſe one Eunis Parker who came last from Lexington on the 22^n^ Day of Octr 1769 ————————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Fryday the 1. day of march AD 1771 at the Houſe of m^r^ Nathaniel Coollidge for taking the accounts of thoſe perſons the town is Indebted to the following were bro^t^: in (Viz) — m^r^ Moſes Stone bro^t^ in Account for Boarding for Ruth Maddox & Clothing &c, and for Cash paid for advice Relating to Mary Warrin & Sarah Learneds Child ammounting to £ 1 : 0 : 10 —

m^r^ Nehemiah Maſon bro^t^: in an Acc^tt^ for things for William Godding which came to	0 : 5 : 8—
m^r^: Ebenezer Stone ju^r^ bro^t^: an Account for Boarding Ruth Maddox five Weeks	0 : 6 : 0—
Capt: Edward Harrington bro^t^: in an account for labour and Meterials at the Miniſterial place which Comes to	1:16 : 4
Capt^t^: Daniel Whitney Sent in his account for Labour & Meterials at the Miniſterial place that comes to	2 : 9 : 6
m^r^ John Cook bro^t^: an acc^tt^ for 48 feet of Slitwork	*

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Daniel Bonds account for Boarding Mary Coollidge from the 18th Day of march 1770 till the 18th day of march 1771 being 52 Weeks at 3/4 P^r^ week Comes to ———— 8 : 13 : 4
and for Mending her Clothing &c ———— 0 : 8 : 0

9 : 1 : 4

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mr Jonas Whites account for Labour &c at the miniſterial place Comes to and for Boarding Ruth Maddox ————	1 : 14 : 4
alſo another Account for Mending ye School Houſe windows and Sundry other things for which he paid Cash ————	0 : 12 : 0
	2 : 6 : 4

At this meeting mr. Richard Clark Appeared & Settled his Highway Rates — and mr John Cook being present desired Liberty to fetch Some old plank from Daniel Fullars that belongs to Watertown Weston & Waltham to lay on the Bridge over his Wast till Such time as he Can Repair his Bridge Sufficiently which was Agreed to, alſo to use as many more of ye old plank as is Needfull for the Present, he to Return them when Called for at this meeting the Selectmen Signed an Order on ye Treaſurer to pay the sum of £ 46 : 7 : 0: 1 to the Several perſons that found the meterials and did the Repairs of the Great Bridge from ye 15 day of February 1770 till this Day ————
mr John Cook gave in a Written Notification that on the 26 day of July 1770 he Received one Penuel Park into his houſe who Came Last from Newton

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The following Accounts were brot: into the Selectmen to be laid before the Town (Viz) To Dean: Samuel Fisk for Serveing

aſseſsor ye year past ————	0 : 18 ″ 0
to mr Moſes Stone for like Service ————	0 : 18 ″ 0
to Jona Brown for Service as Treaſurer & aſseſsor —	3 : 11 ″ 0
to Simon Hastings for Labour and Meterials ——	1 : 11 ″ 10
to Jonas Hastings for Stones for Bridges &c ———	0 ″ 10 ″ 8
to Samll: Jeniſon for 4 Large Stones ————	0 ″ 6 ″ 0
to Richard Clark for Stones for Bridges ————	0 ″ 6 ″ 0
to Dr Marſhal Spring for attendance of Jonas Learned Dead	2 ″ 8 ″ 0
	10 : 9 : 6

Likewiſe mr Thomas Draper brot: an account for Boarding & Clothing Sarah Learneds Child ammounting to	3 : 7 : 4
and Samll Benjamin for Boarding &c for John * jur wife ammounting to ye Sum of	4 : 5 : 0

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At a General Town Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town Affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting Houſe in s^d^ Town on Monday ye 4th Day of march AD: 1771 for the Choice of town officers and other affairs as Setforth in the Warrants &c ———

Voted & Choſe Dea^n^: Samuel Fisk Moderator for s^d^: Meeting

Voted & Chose for Selectmen
- m^r^ John Remington
- m^r^ Nath^ll^ Stone
- m^r^ Thos: Clark
- Dea^n^ Sam^ll^ Fisk
- m^r^: Nehe^h^ Maſon

Voted & Choſe for Town-Clerk & Treaſurer Jon^a^: Brown

Voted & Choſe for Aſseſsors
- Dea^n^. Sam^ll^ Fisk
- m^r^ Moſes Stone
- Jon^a^ Brown

Voted & Chose for Constables m^r^: Samuel Barnard & M^r^: Elijah Bond

Voted & Chose for Collectors of Tax's miſr^rs^ Samuel Barnard & Elijah Bond

Voted & Granted ye Sum of £ 3 to pay the Collectors for their Service

m^r^: Sam^ll^: Barnard & m^r^ Elijah Bond informed the town that they had Agreed with m^r^: David Sanger and m^r^ Isaac Sanderſon to Serve in their Room if the town would Accept them — then the town voted and accepted miſu^rs^ David Sanger & Isaac Sanderſon to Serve Constables & Collectors in the Room of Samuel Barnard & Elijah Bond

Voted & Choſe for Wardens miſsu^rs^ Joseph Coollidge & Sam^ll^: Benjamin

Voted & Choſe Sealer of Leather m^r^ Stephen Whitney

Voted & Choſe Fence-viewer miſ^rs^ Phinehas Child & Israel Whitney

Voted & Chose Surveyors of High-ways
- m^r^ Moſes Stone
- m^r^ Jonas White
- m^r^ David Bemis
- m^r^ Richard Clark

Voted & Choſe Tything-men miſ^rs^ Phin^s^: Child & Sam^ll^ Hager

Voted & Choſe Hogrieves miſ^s^ David Barnard & Thomas Draper

Voted & Choſe Surveyors of Timber Plank &c
- m^r^ Jonas Coollidge
- m^r^ David Sanger
- Lt Nathaniel Coollidge

Voted & Chofe Howards mifrs Samll: Warrin & Ezekiel Whitney
Voted & Chofe Clerks of ye markets mr Jedidih Leath & Lt: Nathl Coollidge
Voted & Chofe Cullars of Hoops Staves &c Samll Cook & Smith Prentice
Voted & Chofe mr Simon Hastings Saxton & Granted him £ 3 pound for his Ser[vice]
Then the Votes were brot: in for a County Treafurer & Regist[er]
Voted that Swine be Shut up this year ————

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Voted for a Committe to Examin ye Treafurers Acctts { mr Nathl Harrington, mr Samll White, mr Samll Fisk }

Voted to Appropriate the Interest money as it was Last year (Viz) 5/4 to the School and the Remainder to the Minifter ————
Voted & Granted ye Sum of 66 : 13 : 4 as a Sallery for ye Revd mr Seth Storer the prefent year the Interest money to be part and the Remainder to be afsest ——
then Voted & Granted the Sum of £ 100 pounds to Repair ye High-ways & town ways the present year ————————
Voted that the Surveyors of ye High-ways provide two good plows for ye use of the town in Mending the High-ways & bring in their acctt at next may meeting to be allowed
Then Voted that the meeting with ye Remaining businefs Should be Adjourned till Next monday at two of ye Clock afternoon at this place
Then the Moderator Declared it accordingly Adjourned ———
March ye 4th 1771. Jonathan Brown was Sworn to the offices of Town-Clerk Town-Treafurer & afsefsor by John Hunt Jus: peace

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen the Same Evening at the Houfe of mr Bezaleel Learned all the Selectmen took ye oath Relating to the other Government Bills — after which the persons after-named after taking said oath were Sworn to the faithfull discharge of the Several offices to which they were this day Chofen (Viz)
Dean. Samll Fisk & mr Mofes Stone afsefsors ————————
mifr Isaac Sanderfon & David Sanger Constables ————————
mifr Joseph Coollidge & Samuel Benjamin Wardens ———

mif^{r} Phinehas Child & Israel Whitney Fence Viewers ———
mif^{rs} Mofes Stone Jonas White David Bemis & Richard Clark Surveyors of High-ways ———
mif^{rs} Phinehas Child & Samuel Hager Tythingmen ————
m^{r} Thomas Draper Hogrieve ————
mif^{r} Jonas Coollidge & David Sanger Surveyors of Timber &c —
m^{r} Jedidiah Leath Clerk of the markets ————
m^{r} Samuel Cook Cullars of Hoops Staves &c ————
All Sworn by Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

The Town-Clerk was ordered to give out an other Notification to the Constables to Summon the other officers to appear at Mr Bezaleel Learneds Next monday evening at 6 of ye Clock to be Sworn

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At a Gen^{ll}: Town-Meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Afsembled on Monday ye 11th: Day of march AD 1771 at the Publick-Meeting Houfe in S^{d} Town P^{r}: adjournment
The Meeting being opened They proceded to Act further on the (13th) Article in ye Warrant for the Meeting (Viz) ——— —
that the price of Labour be the Same it was last year (Viz) three Shillings P^{r} day for a man & 3/ Shillings P^{r} day for a Team ∽
alfo Voted that the afsefsors make out lists of Each of the Inhabitants proportion of S^{d}: £ 100 pounds and if any perfon or perfons Shall Neglect or Refuse to work out their s^{d}: proportion when Called upon by the Surveyors then they Shall pay it with their other town Tax's in Money ————
Voted and Granted the Sum of £ 20 pounds to Support the poor—
Voted and Granted the Sum of £ 2 pounds to Repair ye Great Bridge
Then the accounts of Sundry perfons Charged to the town were Read ammounting to the Sum of £ 10 : 9 : 6 and the Same Sum was Granted to Sattiffie the Same— M^{r}: Sam^{ll}: Benjamins was not allowed nor m^{r} Thomas Drapers ∽
Then the town Voted and abated part of m^{r} Smith Prentics Rates in Constable Isaac Sanderfons lists it being 7/1 & Granted ye like Sum to make it good
Voted & abated Thomas Dauceys Rates in S^{d}: Sanderfons lists and Granted the the Sum of 15 : 6 : 2 farthings to make it good ∽

Voted and abated Smith Prentices Rates in Edward Harringtons
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jur lists and Granted the Sum of 0 : 16 : 10 : 3 to make it good ~
alſo Voted & abated Said Prentices Rates in Daniel Whitney jurs
lists and Granted the Sum of 0 : 10 : 4 to make it good ———
Voted and abated Aaron Feſsendens Rates in Daniel Sawins
lists & Granted the Sum of 5s/1d to make it good ————
Then the Report of the Selectmen being made Relating to ye
landing place at Samuels Hill (So Called) and the Agreement
made between the Selectmen of Watertown & Cambridge being
Read the Town Voted and accepted & Confirmed the Same See
Sd: agreement at the (30) page of this Book ————
then the (16) article was Read & after Some Debate thereon the
Vote was Put whether the town will build two School Houſes
one in the east and the other in the west part of the town and
it past *
Negative ————

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Voted and Granted ye Sum of £ 33 : 6 : 8 to Support the Grammer School
Voted & Granted ye Sum of 24 : 0 : 0 to Support other Schools ~
then put to vote whether any part of sd: 24 pounds Shall be
Improved to Support womens Schools and the vote paſsed in
the Negative ————
Then Voted to Chooſe a Committe to take care of, and provide
for the Schools the year Eusueing

Voted & Chose for Said Committe —— { Jona: Brown, mr Moſes Stone, mr Jonas Bond, mr David Sanger, mr Samll White }

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on the 11th Day of March AD 1771
at the Houſe of mr Bezaleel Learned ————
the following perſons after taking the money oath were Sworn to
the faithfull Discharge of the offices hereafter Mentioned (Viz)
mr Stephen Whitney Sealer of Leather, David Barnard Hogrieve
miſr Samuel Warrin & Ezekiel Whitney Howards ————
Sworn Pr Jona: Brown Town-Clerk ———

At this meeting ye Selectmen Agreed with mr Stephen Harris to
take Ruth Maddox and Board her Six months for which he is to

have her Labour and four pence p^{r} week ———
They alſo Agreed with m^{r} Joseph Coollidge to take & Board Mary Coollidge on year & he is to have at the Rate of 28/^{s} old Tenor p^{r} week—Said Harris & Coollidge to have no further allowance Except in Case of Sickneſs ————————
the Selectmen Signed an order on the Town Treaſurer to pay out of the treaſurie the Sum of 51 : 0 : 2 : 2 in ye following manner (Viz) To m^{r} Nath^{ll}: Bond in part for keeping the Grammer School ye last year ———} 20 : 0 : 0
to m^{r} John Stratton in full for keeping ye writting School 11 : 8 : 0
to m^{r} Moses Stone for Clothing for ye poor ye year past 1 : 0 : 10

To m^{r} Nehe^{h}. Mason	0 : 5 : 8
To m^{r} Eben^{r} Stone ju^{r}	0 : 6 : 0
To Capt Daniel Whitney	2 : 9 : 6
To Capt Edwd: Harrington	1 : 16 : 4
to m^{r} John Cook	0 : 3 : 2 : 2
to m^{r} Daniel Bond	9 : 1 : 4
to m^{r} Jonas White	2 : 6 : 4
to Jon^{a}: Brown for writings &c	2 : 3 : 0
	£ 51 : 0 : 2 : 2

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on Monday ye 25th Day of March AD 1771. at the Houſe of m^{r} Edward Richardſon ————
They Agreed that m^{r} Daniel Bond may keep Mary Coollidge the preſent year at the Same Rate that as it was Agreed with Joseph Coollidge
At this meeting m^{r} William Bond Informed them that m^{r} William Godding lay Sick at his houſe and in Needy Circumſtances they agreed that s^{d}: Bond Should be allow'd Reaſonable pay for his care & Trouble in Nurſing &c for him — and m^{r} John Remington Informed that Sarah Learneds Child was put to him as a Selectman to take care of, and that he had agreed with m^{r} Samuel Cook to take and Board it for the Present for 3/ P^{r} week which was Consented to by the Selectmen ————
and it was Agreed that m^{r} Remington Provide Cotton & linin Cloth for two Shifts for Mary Coollidge. — alſo that m^{r} Moſes Stone provide Neceſsary Clothing for the widow Tabitha Learneds Daughter which is at his Houſe and bring in his Account to ye Selectmen at their Next meeting in order to be paid. ————

This being the year for Perambulating lines between towns they Agreed to do that Service on the 29th Day of April Next to begin with Cambridge near Charls-River at Seven of the Clock in the morning and with Waltham at 11th of the Clock in the forenoon to beging Near mr Joseph Wellingtons and to meet with Newton Men Near mr Phinehas Cooks at 4 of the Clock afternoon. and ordered the Clerk to write to the Selectmen of ye Several adjacent towns to give them Notice thereof.
Letters were Sent Accordingly Pr Jona: Brown Town-Clerk
At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday ye first day of April AD 1771. at the Houſe of Lt: Nathaniel Coollidge They Appointed Lt: Nathaniel Coollidge to take care of ye Great Bridge the present year—John Hunt Sent in a Notification Informing that on the 23 Day of of March 1771 he Received one John Raymond into his houſe who came last from Charls-town.———
At this meeting They Agreed that the Surveyors of High-ways Should have their Deſtricts as *

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mr Moſes Stone's Deſtrict To mend the High-ways as follows (Viz) The Country Road from the widow Mary Hastings to Cambridge line and the lane Called Parrys lane and the Back Country Road to Cambridge from the wido: Velas. and Jeniſons lane and the lane from the Burying place by mr Ebenezer Stones to sd: mr Moſes Stones.—and mr Richard Clarks Destrict as follows (Viz) From mr Thomas Clarks Gate under the Rocks to Cambridge line and the Road by sd: Richard Clarks own houſe to the Meeting Houſe Hill (So-Called) and the Roads from thence to the wido Velas, and the town ways by Kings Common, alſo masons & Goddings Lanes (So Called) mr Jonas Whites Destrict as follows (Viz) To mend the Country Road from Thomas Wellingtons to the wido Mary Hastings's and the Roads South of the River alſo the Road from the meeting Houſe over the Hill to Kemballs Corner (So Called) mr David Bemis's Destrict as follows (Viz) To mend the Country Road from mr: Thomas Wellingtons to Waltham line, and the Road by Dirty-Green and the Road from Tainters-Corner to mr Phinehas Stearns's, and the Road by Jonathan Bemis's, and by mr Nathaniel Harringtons to Waltham line, and the Road under the Rock to

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m^{r}. Thomas Clarks Gate, and the Road by m^{r} Jonas Barnards to Kemballs Corner, alſo the Road by Capt: Whitneys to the School-Houſe. and the above mentioned Destricts were given to the afore Named Surveyors of High-ways. By order of ye Selectmen

Pr Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

April ye 23th: 1771 Capt Daniel Whitney gave in a notification that he Received into his House one Phinehas Robbins & Elizabeth his wife who came from Newton December last —— Likewiſe one Anna Barraye from s^{d} Newton April y^{e} 30th: 1770. ————

At a Meeting of y^{e} Selectmen at the House of L^{t}: Nathaniel Coolidge on Monday y^{e}. 8th. Day of May=1771 ————————
They Agreed with m^{r} Richard Clark to take Sarah Learneds Boy till he is twenty one years of age and to give him thirteen Shillings [and] fou[r] pence Lawfull money to Cloth him with

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At this meeting m^{r}: Moſes Stone Sent in an Account for Clothing which he procured for the wid^{o} Tabitha Learneds Daughter which Comes to £ 0 : 14 : 11 : 3 — alſo m^{r} John Remington gave in an Account for Clothing which he procured for Mary Coollidge ammounting to 10/9 pence and the Selectmen Signed an order on The Treaſurer to pay the Same. ————
The Selectmen having Received a Precept from the Sheriff of the County Requiring them to Aſsemble the Inhabitants of Watertown to Chooſe a Suitable perſon to Repreſent them in a Great & General Court appointed to be held & kept at Harvard-College in Cambridge on Wednesday ye 29th Day of may Currant. They Directed ye Clerk to Issue out warrants Directing the Constables to warn the the Inhabitants to Aſsemble at ye publick meeting Houſe on monday the 20th Day of this present month of may for S^{d}: purpose at one of ye Clock afternoon ————————————
alſo to warn the Inhabitants who are Quallified to vote in town affairs to meet at the Same place on the Same day two of the Clock afternoon to act on the following articles (Viz)—
First to Chooſe a Moderator for s^{d}: meeting. (2) To hear the Report of of ye Com^{tt} appointed to Examin ye treaſurers accounts and to act thereon as they think fitt (3) To make an Additional grant for the Support of the poor if the town think proper. (4) To know the minde of the town whether they will Sell or lease out

or Build a wharf on the Landing place on Charls-River within ye Limits of Cambridge and act thereon as they think proper. (5) To know ye minde of ye town whether they will grant money to Repair the miniſterial House and act any thing thereon they Shall think best. (6) To know ye minde of ye town whether they will appropriate any part of ye money that was granted at march meeting last to Support Engliſh Schools, for the Support of womens Schools or grant a Sum of money for that purpoſe. and act on the affair as the town may think proper. (7) For the town to paſs on a List of Jurors that ye Selectmen may Lay before them. (8) To grant money to pay for ye Plows provided for the towns use. ————

Warrants were Issued out Accordingly

Attest Jon^a^: Brown Town-C[lerk]

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At a Gen^ll^ Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting Houſe in S^d^: town on monday ye 20th Day of may Anno: Domini 1711. ————————————

The meeting being opened the Votes were Called for bro^t^. in Sorted & Counted and it Appeared that m^r^: John Remington was Choſen Repreſentative for the Ensueing Year

At a Gen^ll^: Town Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown that are Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick meeting Houſe in s^d^: Town on monday ye 20th Day of may Anno: Domini 1771. ————————————

Voted and Choſe m^r^: Samuel Fisk Moderator of ye Meeting

Then Voted and Accepted the Report of ye Com^tte^ that were appointed to Examin the town Treaſurers Accounts See the next page

Voted & granted the Sum of £ 15 pounds to help Support ye poor —

Then y^e^ (4) article was Read Relating to the Landing place in Cambridge and after Some Debate thereon. it was voted that the Selectmen be a Com^tt^: to View the said Landing Place and Consider of, & See in what manner it may be Improved that will be most for the Benifitt of the Town and make Report at ye adjournment of the meeting ————————————

Then ye article Relating to ye Repairs of ye miniſterial Houſe was Read and after Debate thereon. It was Voted to Chooſe a Committe to vew Said Houſe and Report (what Repairs they think will be neceſsary) at the adjournment of ye meeting ———

Voted and Choſe for S^d: Committe ⌣ { M^r: Nathl: Harrington, Jon^a: Brown, Mr David Bemis ——

The Sixth article being Read Relating to womens Schools and after Debate thereon the vote was put whether the town will grant any money to Support womens Schools and it paſsed in the Negative ————

Then voted to Reconsider the vote past at march meeting last past Relating to womens Schools & to appropriate Some part of ye money then Granted to Support Engliſh Schools; to Support womens Schools —

Then Voted that the money be Layed out as it was last year ⌣

* no Children under 4 years old be allowed to go to

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Voted and granted the Sum of £ 5 : 9 : 2 to pay for the plows that were provided for the towns uſe ————————

Then voted that this meeting with the Remaining buſineſs be adjourned to this Day four weeks at this place at 4 of ye Clock afternoon to finiſh the ^sd:/v Remaining buſineſs ~

Then the Moderator Declared it Adjour'd Accordingly ———

The Committes Report of y^e town Treaſures Accounts ————

Watertown May y^e. 16th. 1771.

The Com^tee: Appointed by the Town March y^e. 4. to Examin the town treaſurers Acc^tts Report as followeth (Viz) Upon Examination of the town Treaſurers Acc^tts we find them Well Vouch'd and Right Cast

Nathl: Harrington } Com^tte=
Sam^ll White } ———

At a Meeting of y^e Selectmen at the House of m^r Edward Richardſon on Monday y^e 3^d Day of June AD: 1771. ————

They agreed to have a publick Town Meeting on Fryday y^e 7th day of this Instant June at three of y^e Clock afternoon at the

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publick meeting House, and ordered ye Clerk to Issue out Warrants directed to ye Several Constables to warn all the free-holders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs to aſsemble at S^d^: time & place to act on ye following articles (Viz) First to Chooſe a moderator for said meeting (2^ly^) For the town to agree upon Some Method to Prevent the Country Road being Turned of or a New Road Layed out thro' the South-west Corner of Waltham into Newton & for ye town to act anything Relating to Said affair as they may think proper. (3^ly^) To know ye minde of the town whether they will Petition ye Great & General Court for a Paſsage thro' the Bridge over Charls-River in the town of Cambridge So that v[essels] may paſs & repaſs up & dow Said River without
* their maſts, & do any thing on ye affair y^t^ ye town may
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(4^ly^) For the town to Act on the Articles that were adjourned at the last may meeting to monday ye 17th day of this Present month of June, for the town to act thereon as they See fitt —

Warrants were Issued out Accordingly

Attest Jon^a^: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Gen^ll^ Town-Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabit^ts^ who are Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at ye publick meeting-Houſe in S^d^: Town on Fryday y^d^ 7 Day of June AD: 1771 ——————————————

Voted & Choſe Dea^n^: Samuel Fisk Moderator for s^d^ Meeting

The Second article Relating to ye Country Road being Turned was Read & after Debate thereon. it was voted to Chooſe a Committe to Draw up a Remonſtrance & Petition and Present it to ye next Court of General Seſsions of ye peace for ye County of middleſex against said ways being turned & or do any thing that they may think proper to prevent the Same ——————

Voted & Choſe for S^d^: Committe —
- John Hunt Esqr:
- Jon^a^: Brown
- Ezek^l^: Hall
- Josiah Capen
- Nath^ll^ Stone
- Sam^ll^: Fisk
- Jonas White

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The third article Relating to obtaing (in) a Passage thro' Cambridge Bridge for Veſsels &c : being Read (V) after Debate thereon it was put to vote whether it be the minde of ye town to Chooſe a Committe to Treat with ye Selectmen of Cambridge & ye other towns Concerned in the * s^d: Bridge to See upon what terms they will open a * afore Said

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and aſso give to the Committe full power in the Name & behalf of the town to Petition the Great & General Court or any other Court (if need be) in order to the obtaining a proper Paſsage thro' the Bridge over Charls-River in ye town of Cambridge for Veſsels to paſs & Repaſs up & down s^d: River with their maſts Standing &c and it paſsed in ye affirmative

Voted & Choſe for S^d: Committe - -
- m^r: Ezek^l: Hall
- m^r Sam^ll Fisk
- Capt Jon^a: Brown
- m^r Josiah Capen
- John Hunt Esqr.
- L^t: Nath^ll: Coollidge
- m^r David Bemis

Voted not to act any thing further Relating to the Landing place in Cambridge at this time — — — — — — — — — — — — —
Then ye Com^tt appointed at ye last may Meeting to vew the miniſterial Houſe made verbal Report that they thou^t. about Six or eight pounds might be Sufficient for Said Repairs.
Wherefore the town voted & Granted £ 8 pounds for Said purpoſe. ~
Voted that the Committee that were Appointed to vew S^d: Houſe be Continued & that they See to git ye Said Repairs don as Soon as they Conveniantly can ————
Then ye Selectmen presented a list of Jurors which they had prepared which was voted & accepted. Deacon Samuel Fisk made his pleas to be Excuſed from Serving any Further on ye Jury of Tryals & the town voted that he Shall be excused. ————
The Buſineſs being don the meeting was Desolved.

At a meeting of y^e Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r: Bez^ll: Learned

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on y^e 24th. Day of June AD. 1771.—They Signed an order on the Town-Treafurer to pay y^e Sum of 5 : 8 : 0 to m^r Jedidiah Leath —— alfo to pay what is Still due to m^r: Nathaniel Bond for [his] School in Watertown — and what is due to m^r=owen [Warland] for his keeping School in S^d: town

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At a Meeting of y^e Selectmen on Thursday y^e 15th Day of August Anno: Domini 1771. at the Houfe of L^t: Nathaniel Coollidge They Approbated Mifs^rs Edward Richardfon, Bezaleel Learned, Nathaniel Coollidge & Thomas Wellington to Renew their licenses as Innholders and mifr^s Jonas White, Ezekiel Hall, Josiah Capen, and John Hunt junior as Retailors ——————————
It was Agreed to meet the Selectmen of Weston & Waltham on Monday the Ninth Day of September Next at 4 of ye Clock afternoon at the Houfe of m^r Isaac Gleafon in Waltham to Settle the accounts Relating to ye Great Bridge in Watertown over Charls-River — and ordered the Clerk to Notifie s^d: Selectmen of ye time and place of s^d: meeting

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houfe of M^r: Edward Richardfon on Wednesday ye 21th Day of August AD. 1771.
they Signed Indentures for binding Tabitha Learned to m^r John Draper m^r Jedidiah Leath haveing Difmift her.
at this Meeting they Agreed that Dea^n Samuel Fisk Should Provide Some Nefsecary Clothing for James Daucy a poor Child which is at His houfe to be paid for out of the town Treafu^ry

July y^e. 20th: 1771 m^r Sam^ll: White Sent in a Notification Informing that on Said Day he had Received into his House in Watertown on Jonathan Fefsenden & his wife Martha: & their Four Children (Viz) John, Timothy, Phebe, & Sallome. See ye Notification on file
and m^r Israel Whitney Sent a Notification Informing that he had Received into his family one Elizabeth Bemis on the day afores^d: they all came last from Waltham ——————————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham at the Houfe of Mr Isaac Gleason Inn-holder in Waltham on monday the Ninth day of Sep^r: Anno: Domini 1771. ————
There being only an Account from m^r: John Cook of 24/^s they

agreed to put it of till the Next year to be adjusted with * other accounts Relating to ye Great Bridge that may * year ——

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on the 2 Day of Oct^r: 1771 — at the House of m^r: Bez^ll: Learned—They agreed with m^r Simon Hastings to Repair the Roof of the School House what is Nesecary, also to Repair the Table &c: and to mend ye Curb of the well at the ministerial house ————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of L^t: Nath^ll. Coollidge on the 19th Day of Nov^r: AD 1771. ————
It was Agreed to Desire Mr Simon Hastings to mend the meeting-House Glass, and that the Town-Clerk write to John Hunt Esqr: & m^r Josiah Capen to let them know that they were Informed that their Children brook Some of ye meeting-House Glass and y^t they Expect that they pay for mending ye Same, ————
They also agreed at this meeting to allow m^r: Thomas Draper ye Sum of £ 2 : 13 : 0 to Sattisfie his account for Boarding & Clothing Sarah Learneds Boy. ————

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on Monday ye 16th: Day of Dec^r: 1771 at the House of m^r: Bezaleel Learned the Constables who are Collectors Gave Bond to ye town Treasurer for their faithfull Discharge of their trust and the Selectmen Signed orders on the Town Treasurer to pay the Sum of £ 10 : 9 : 10 to ye Several persons afternamed it being Granted them ye last march Meeting (Viz)

To Sam^ll: Fisk ye Sum of	0 : 18 : 0
To Moses Stone	0 : 18 : 0
To Jonathan Brown	3 : 11 : 4
To Simon Hastings ————	1 : 11 : 10
To Jonas Hastings ————	0 : 10 : 8
To Sam^ll: Jenison ————	0 : 6 : 0
To Richard Clark ————	0 : 6 : 0
To Dr Marshal Spring ————	2 : 8 : 0
	10 : 9 : 10
and to pay Thomas Draper ye Sum of ————	2 : 13 : 0

also to ye Rev^d: m^r Seth Storer what was Granted him for his Suppor for the present year it being ye Sum of 66 *

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Alſo to pay or order the payment out of ye town Rate to each of the town Inhabitants what appears by the Surveyors lists that they have worked out in Repairing ——— the High-ways Since last march — alſo to pay D^r. Sam^ll Fisk for Sundry Services done for the town 0 : 12 : 10
and to m^r Moſes Stone for Service for y^e town 2 : 11 : 2 : 2
and to Dea^n: Samuel Fisk for aſsifting in takeing y^e Invoice 1 : 12 : 0 =
and to Jonathan Brown for like Service 1 : 18 : 0 —

At a Meeting of y^e Selectmen on Monday y^e. 17th Day of February AD: 1772. at the Houſe of m^r: Thomas Wellington — They Agreed to have a publick Town Meeting on Monday the Second Day of March Next at twelve of the Clock at noon at the publick Meeting Houſe and ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to the Several Constables Requiring them to warn all the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to aſsemble and Meet together at Said time and place for the Ends following (Viz) First to Chooſe a Moderator for Said Meeting (2) to Choo.e Selectmen Town-Clerk & Treaſurer & all other town officers Required by law to be Choſe in the month of march Annually, (3) To Chooſe a Saxton and agree how he Shall be paid for his Service (4) to put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer (5) To know the minde of the town wheather Swine Shall Run at large the present year, (6) To Chooſe a Committe Examin the Treaſurers accounts (7) To appropriate the Interest money Coming to the town the present year, (8) To Grant a Sallary for ye Rev^d: m^r: Seth Storer for the Year Ensueing the year begining the first day of march Next, (9) To Grant money to Support the Grammer & Engliſh Schools that may be agreed upon, and act any thing Relating thereto the town may may think fitt, (10) To Grant money to Support the poor —— (11) To Grant money to Repair the Great Bridge, (12) To hear the accounts of thoſe perſons the town is Indebted to and Grant money to pay the Same (13) To Grant money to Repair the High-ways & Town-ways, and act any thing Relating thereto the town may think proper (14 To Hear the pleas of any of the late Constables for abating any perticular perſons Rates in their lists and to act thereon as they See fitt, —— (15) To appoint * perſon to take care of the old

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Burying place to prevent it * ver Spred with trees & briers, alfo to keep up the Fences &c —

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(16) To know the minde of the town whether they will Repair ye School-houfe, and if So then to do anything Nefsecary Relating thereto as the town may think best, —— and alfo to Notify the town Creditors to bring in their accounts to the Selectmen on Fryday the twenty eighth Day of this present month at 4 of ye Clock afternoon at the House of m^r: Bez^ll: Learned,

Warrants were Issued out Accordingly

Pr Jon^a: Brown Town-Clerk ——

The Proceedings of the School Committe for ye Year 1771.

At a Meeting on y^e: 19th Day of March Anno: Domini 1771. — They agreed that the Grammer School be continued four weeks more and that m^r: Nathaniel Bond keep it at the Same Rate he did last year, and that m^r: Samuel White Desire him to begin it the Next Day

At a Meeting of s^d: Committe on the 11th: Day of April 1771. at m^r Bez^ll Learneds, They Agreed that the School Should be Vacant from next tuesday till the first Day of may next and that m^r: David Sanger Inform m^r: Bond thereof. — — — — — — —

At a Meeting of s^d: Committe on Monday y^e: 10th Day of may at m^r: Bez^ll Learneds AD: 1771. They Agreed that m^r: David Sanger Should ask m^r: John Hunt junior to keep ye Grammer School one month, and if he Declines then he and m^r Mofes Stone try to git one at Cambridge. ——

At a meeting of said School Committee on monday ye 27. Day of may at m^r: Edward Richardfons, It was agreed there Should be five womens Schools, (viz) three on the North Side of ye town and two on the South Side and to allow them five Shillings & four pence p^r: Week to Each of the Miftrefses they finding Houfes to keep in, m^r: Mofes Stone to provide one for the East end, m^r: Jonas Bond for the middle School on the North Side & m^r: Samuel White for the West School on the North Side, and m^r: David Sanger for the School at the River, and Jonathan Brown for the West School on the South Side, and that said Schools be opened the next monday and be kept twelve weeks each, Also Agreed that ye Grammer School be Vacant from the 20th Day of June Next till further orders, and that m^r: David

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Sanger give notice thereof to the master. —— At a meeting of s^{d}: Com^{tte} at m^{r} Bez^{ll}: Learneds on the 19th Day of August AD: 1771. it was Agreed to provide a Gram[mer School] mafter as Soon as may be, and that m^{r}: David Sanger Desire m^{r} * Warland to keep it a month at the Same Rate he did before

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At a Meeting of the School Committe on y^{e}: 13th Day of Sep^{r}: AD 1771. it was Agreed that m^{r}: Warland be Desired to keep the Grammer School till further orders, and that m^{r}: David Sanger Acquaint him therewith ——————————

At a Meeting of ye Committe on Monday y^{e}: 19th: Day of Novr AD 1771. at m^{r}: Thomas Wellingtons, they agreed with m^{r} John Stratton to Open a Wrighting School at the West end of ye town and to keep till further orders, Said School to be kept at the Houfe of m^{r}: Wm Bond if a Room may be had there, ——

At a Meeting of ye School Committe at m^{r}: Edward Richardfons on the 31th Day of December 1771. They Agreed that m^{r}: John Stratton keep the School at the West end of the town ten Weeks, and at the East end Eleven Weeks. ——————————

At a Meeting of ye Committe at ye Houfe of m^{r}: Bezaleel Learned on the tenth Day of February Anno: Domini: 1771. ———

M^{r}: Owen Warland being present they Agreed with him to keep the Grammer School the Remainder of this present month, and then to give in his account to y^{e} Selectmen in order for his pay —

At a Meeting of y^{e} Selectmen at the Houfe of m^{r}: Bezaleel Learned on Fryday the the 28th Day of February AD: 1772 — the following accounts were bro^{t}: in (Viz) — — — ————

To Daniel Bond for Boarding &c: for Mary Coollidge	10 : 13 : 0=3
William Bond for taking care of William Godding in his last Sicknefs from y^{e} 14 day March 1771 to y^{e} 4 d of august next	14 : 19 : 7—
Ebenezer Stone ju^{r}: for Boarding Ruth Maddox	0 : 13 : 2 : 1
Nath^{ll} Stone for 2 pair of Shoes for y^{e} poor & Mending a Chair	0 : 9 : 11—
Sam^{ll}: Fisk for Boarding James Daucy	0 : 18 : 0—
Sam^{ll}: Cook for Boarding Ditto	1 : 4 : 0—

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Simon Hastings for Labour and Meterials at y^e^ miniſterial place	7 : 19 : 2
John Remington for Clothing for James Daucy	0 : 9 : 6
Marſhal Spring for Medicine & attendance on W^m^. Godding &c —	1 : 5 : 0
Owen Warland for keeping y^e^ Grammer School	16 : 18 : 8=2
Joseph Hay for his wives keeping School	3 : 4 : 0
Elijah Bond for D°	3 : 4 : 0
Hannah Bright for keeping School	3 : 4 : 0
Hannah Cook for D°	3 : 4 : 0
	68 : 6 : 1'2

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At this Meeting m^r^ Thomas Learned one of the Late Surveyors of Highways bro^t^: his list of Highway Rate and it Appeared that it was worked out and it was Accepted by ye Selectmen. ———

The following Accounts were bro^t^: into the Selectmen in order to their being lay'd before the town (Viz)

Jedidiah Leath for Sharping a plow Share —	0″ 1″ 0	
for Spikes for ye Bridge ————	0″ 4″ 4	0″ 4″ 4
David Bemis for 137 feet of plank for treadways Bridge		0″ 11″ 8
Stephen Harris for Boarding Ruth Maddox & for timber for a Bridge ———		0″ 17″ 0
Jonas White for Labour at Treadways Bridge ——		2″ 3″ 0
David Sanger for timber ———		0 : 3 : 8
David Sanger for Serving Constable in ye year 1766		1 : 0 : 0
Simon Hastings for Labour and Meterials ———		0 : 15 : 11
Samuel Fisk for Serving Aſseſsor ye year past ——		0 : 18 : 0
Moſes Stone for Ditto		0 : 18 : 0
Jon^a^: Brown for Serving Treaſurer & Aſseſsor ye year past		3 : 11 : 4

Added at Meeting Jon^a^: Bemis for Boarding Ruth Maddox 0 : 7 : 8 : 2

Daniel Sawin for Serving Constable in ye year 1766 & Carrying two perſons out of town —	1 : 4 : 0—
	12 : 15 : 7 : 2

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At a Gen^{ll} Town-Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Qualified to vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the Publick Meeting House in s^{d}: Town on Monday the Second day of March AD: 1772. for the Choice of town officers and other affairs as Setforth in the Warrants for the Said Meeting. ~

Voted & Choſe m^{r}: Nathl: Stone Moderator for ye Meeting

Voted & Choſe for Selectmen —— { m^{r}: John Remington; Dea^{n} Sam^{ll}: Fisk; m^{r}: Nehe^{h}: Mason; m^{r} Thos: Clark; m^{r} Sam^{ll}: White }

Voted & Choſe for Town-Clerk & Treaſurer Jonathan Brown

Voted & Choſe for Aſseſsors — — { Jon^{a}: Brown; Dea^{n}: Sam^{ll}: Fisk; m^{r}: Moſes Stone }

Voted & Choſe for Constables miſu^{rs} Josiah Capen & John Stratton

Voted & Choſe for Collectors of Tax's m^{r} Josiah Capen & m^{r} John Stratton and that they give Bond as useyll

Voted & Granted the Sum of 6 pounds to pay ye Collectors for their Service

Voted & accepted m^{r}: David Sanger to Serve Constable & Collector in the Room of m^{r}: Josiah Capen ————————

Voted & Choſe for Wardens miſu^{rs} Edward Harrington ju^{r} & Nathan Coollidge

Voted & Choſe Sealer of Leather m^{r} Isaac Sanderſon ————

Voted & Choſe Fence Viewers Miſu^{rs} Josiah Norcroſs & Thos .Wellington

Voted & Choſe Surveyors of High-ways { m^{r}: Thomas Harrington; m^{r}: Simon Hastings; m^{r} Moſes Stone; m^{r} Nathl: Harrington }

Voted & Choſe Tythingmen m^{r}: Moſes Hager & m^{r}: Chris^{r}: Grant ju^{r}

Voted & Choſe Hogrieves Miſsu^{rs} Simon Coollidge ju^{r} & Stephen Whitney

Voted & Choſe Surveyors of timber &c miſs^{rs}: David Sanger Nath^{ll}: Coollidge & Jonas Coollidge

Voted & Choſe Howards miſs^{rs}. Jon^{a}. Learned^{jur} & John Tainter ju^{r} ———

Voted & Choſe Clerks of ye Markets miſs^{rs}: Thos: Wellington & Bez^{ll}: Learned
Voted & Choſe Cullars of Hoops Staves &c: miſs^{rs}: Sam^{ll}: Cook & Sam^{ll}: Sanger —
Voted & Choſe m^{r}: Simon Hastings Saxton and Granted him £ 3 : 10^{s} for his Service
Then the Votes were bro^{t} in for a County Treaſurer ————
Voted that Swine Shall not Run at Large ye present year ———

Voted & Choſe a Com^{tte} to Examin ye Treaſ^{rs} acc^{tts} { m^{r}: Nathl Harrington; m^{r}: William Bond; Dea^{n}: Sam^{ll}: Fisk }

Then voted that this Meeting with the Remaining buſineſs be [adjo]urned to next monday at one of ye Clock afternoon at [ye Same] place

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At a Gen^{ll}: Town-Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Qualified to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the publick Meeting Houſe in Said town on monday the Ninth Day of march AD: 1772. P^{r}: Adjournment —
The meeting being opened, m^{r}: Nath^{ll}: Harrington was Dismiſed from Serving Surveyor of Highways at his Deſire, — — — —
Then Voted & Choſe miſs^{us}: William Bond & Phin^{s}: Child Surveyors of highways
Voted and Appropriated the Interest money coming to ye town as it was last year (Viz) 5/4 to the School and the Remainder to ye miniſter ———
Voted & Granted ye Sum of 66″ 13 : 4 as a Sallary for ye Rev^{d}. m^{r}: Seth Storer the Interest money to be part and Remainder to be aſsest — ————
Voted & Granted ye Sum of 33 : 6 : 8 to Support ye Grammer School ~
Put to vote whether it is ye minde of the town to have other Schools besides the Grammer School, and it past in the affirmative.
Voted that there be womens Schools as well as Writing Schools ~
Voted and Granted ye Sum of 30 pounds to Support Said Schools, one half of Said Sum to Support the writing Schools & the other half to Support the womens Schools — — — — — —
Voted to Chooſe a Committe to take the Care of and provide Masters & mistreſses for Said Schools — — — — — — — —

Voted & Chofe for Said Committe — m^{r}: Richard Clark
m^{r}: William Bond
m^{r} Josiah Capen
m^{r} Elijah Bond
m^{r} Jonas Barnard
m^{r}: Daniel Sawin
m^{r} Simon Whitney

Then Voted & Accepted m^{r}: Josiah Coollidge to Serve Constable and Collector in the Room of m^{r} John Stratton. — — — — — —
Then Voted and Granted the Sum of £ 40 pounds to Support ye poor
Voted and Granted £ 60 pounds to Repair ye High-ways & townways
Voted & Granted the Sum of £ 12 : 15 : 7 : 2 to pay the town Creditors
Voted that ye aſseſsors make a list of each perſons proportion of ye Highway grant and give it to ye Surveyors in the Same manner as was don last year ——
Then Voted and Choſe m^{r}: Ebenezer Stone ju^{r} to take care of ye old Burying place, to keep up the fence and to Clear up the Briers and trees and to be allowed the feed and Locust trees for his Service
Put to Vote whether the town will Repair the old School-Houſe, and
and it pa.sed in the Negative ————
The Buſineſs being don ye meeting was Diſsolved

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1772 March y^{e}: 3. Jonathan Brown was Sworn to ye faithfull Discharge of ye offices of Town-Clerk Town-Treaſurer & Aſseſsor

By John Hunt Justice of peace

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{r}: Bez^{ll}: Learned on Monday ye 9th Day of march AD: 1772 — — — — — —
Four of ye Selectmen took ye oath Required by law Relating to other Governments Bills of Credit (Viz) Dea^{n}: Samuel Fisk m^{r}: Neh^{h} Mason m^{r}: Thomas Clark & m^{r} Samuel White. — after which the following perſons were Sworn to ye faithfull Discharge

of ye Several offices to which they were Chosen which are as follows (Viz).
Dea^n^. Samuel Fisk & m^r^ Moſes Stone Aſseſsors
miſs^rs^ David Sanger & Joseph Coollidge Constables ————
miſs^rs^ Edward Harrington ju^r^ & Nathan Coollidge Wardens —
m^r^. Isaac Sanderſon Sealer of Leather ~
miſs^ur^ Josiah Norcroſs & Thomas Wellington Fence-viewers
miſs^rs^ Thomas Harrington, Simon Hastings, Moses Stone, W^m^. Bond & Phinehas Child Surveyors of High-ways — — — ———
miſs^rs^ Moses Hager and and Christopher Grant ju^r^. Tything men
miſs^rs^ Simon Coollidge ju^r^ and Stephen Whitney Hogrieves
miſs^rs^ David Sanger, Nath^ll^ Coollidge & Jonas Coollidge Surveyors of timber boards &c:
miſs^rs^ Jonathan Learned ju^r^ & John Tainter ju^r^ Howards — —
miſs^rs^ Thomas Wellington & Bezaleel Learned Clerks of the Markets
m^r^: Samuel Sanger Cullar of Hoops Staves &c ————
All Sworn by Jon^n^: Brown Town-Clerk

at this meeting ye Selectmen Signed orders on ye town-Treaſurer to pay the Several perſons afternamed ye Sums offixt to their names Viz

to Daniel Bond ye Sum of ———	10″ 13″ 0″ 3
to William Bond ———	14 : 19 : 7 —
to Eben^r^: Stone ju^r^ ———	0 : 13 : 2 : 1
to Nath^ll^ Stone ———	0 : 9 : 11 —
to Sam^ll^: Fisk ———	0 : 18 : 0 —
to Sam^ll^: Cook ———	1 : 4 : 0 —
to Simon Hastings ———	7 : 19 : 2 —
to John Remington ———	0 : 9 : 6
to Marſhal Spring ———	1 : 5 : 0
to Owen Warland ———	16 : 18 : 8 : 2
to Joseph Hay ———	3 : 4 : 0 —
to Elijah Bond ———	3 : 4″ 0 —
To Hannah Bright ———	3 : 4″ 0
to Hannah Cook ———	3 : 4″ 0
	68 : 6 : 1 : 2
alſo to Simon Hastings for Serving Saxton ye Sum of	3 : 0 : 0 : 0
to Wm Bond for a Room to keep School in two Winters	1 : 4 ——

[an]d to the perſons y^{t} provided the plows 5 : 9 : 2 —

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of m^{r} Thomas Wellington on Monday y^{e}. 16th. Day of march AD. 1772. In order to agree with some Perſon to take care of ye poor that were Maintained by the town & under the Emediate care of the Selectmen, perſons not appearing to take them at a Reaſonable price as ye Selectmen tho^{t}. They appointed an other Meeting to be at the house of m^{r}: Edward Richardſon on Monday the 23th Day of march Inſtant at 4 of ye Clock afternoon for ye Same purpose and ordered ye Clerk to put up a Notification at m^{r}: Richardſons and at m^{r}: Bezaleel Learneds which was accordingly don

p^{r}: Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{r}: Edwd: Richardſon on Monday y^{e}. 23^{d}: Day of March Anno: Domini 1772. ————

They agreed that the Clerk give ye Several Surveyors of Highways their Deſtricts in ye following manner (Viz). M^{r}: Moſes Stones to be the County Road from Cambridge line to Simon Hastings Shop, and the lane Called Parry's Lane to ye Road by Isaac Sanderſons and the Publick Road from thence to Edward Richardſons, and Jeniſons lane, alſo the lane from his Houſe to ye County Road, from thence thr^{o}: the lane to Nathan Coollidges —

M^{r}: Simon Hastings Destrict to be from his Shop to ye Great Bridge and the Roads South of ye River. — M^{r}: Phinehas Childs Destrict to be the Road from the Corner by Joseph Wellingtons Runing by Kings-Common, and So over the Hill where the Meeting Houſe Stood to the Great Road where the Meeting Houſe now Stands, and from his Houſe to m^{r}: Isaac Sanderſons — and Masons lane, and the ways in the North-east Quarter. —

M^{r}: Thomas Harringtons Destrict to be the Road from Cambridge near Thomas Clark Runing under the Rocks to Waltham line above m^{r} Nathaniel Harringtons, and the Road by Jonas Barnards to Phinehas Child's — and the Road from the School-Houſe to John Stearns's, and aſso the Road from thence over to Capt: John Tainters Corner, and the Road by Jonathan Bemis's to Waltham line, — M^{r}: William Bonds Destrict to be the Country Road from Watertown Great Bridge to Waltham line, and the Road by Dirty-green to m^{r}: John Cooksons, alſo to work out the Sum of Five pounds in Such parts of m^{r} Thomas

Harringtons Destrict under the Rocks as he may think proper. — at this meeting they agreed with mr: Daniel Bond to take Care of and Board Mary Coollidge for one year at the Rate of four Shillings pr week and to have no further allowance except in case of Sicknefs —
then [they] Signed an order on ye treafurer to pay mr: Edward Richardfon Six * it being ye Expence in putting out the poor ——

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houfe of mr: Bezaleel Learned on Monday ye 6th. Day of April Anno: Domini 1772.
They Agreed with mr: Mofes Stone to take of and Board Ruth Maddox fourteen weeks for which he is to have three Pistereens & her Labour — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
They also Signed an order on the town Treafurer to pay ye Sum of £ 15 : 16s : 10 to mr John Stratton in full for his, & his wives keeping School ye last year — — — — — — — — — — —
at this Meeting the Selectmen Received a Notification from Samuel Hager Informing that he had Received into his Houfe in Watertown one Phinehas Warrin & Eunice his wife & Mary their Daughter who came last from Waltham Some time in ye month of June last

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houfe of Capt: Nathaniel Coollidge on Monday the 11th Day of may Anno: Domini 1772.
They Signed an order on the town Treafurer to pay mr: Simon Hastings ye Sum of 0 : 11 : 2 : 2 for Mending the Meeting Houfe windows — — — — —
They having Received a preccept from ye Sheeriff of ye County of middlefex Requiring them to afsemble ye Inhabitants of Watertown to Choofe a Suitable perfon to Reprefent them in a Great & General Court Appointed to be Convened held & kept for his Majesty's Service at Harvard-Coollege in Cambridge on Wednesday the 27th Day of this Inftant may - In observance whereof they ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to ye Several Constables to warn all ye Inhabitants of Watertown who are Qualified to vote in the Choice of a Reprefentative to meet at ye publick-meeting Houfe on Monday the 18th Day of

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this present month of may at two of ye Clock afternoon for that Purpoſe. ————

They alſo agreed to have an other Publick town-meeting on ye Same Day and at the Same place at three of ye Clock afternoon and ordered ye Clerk to Direct ye Constables to warn all the freeholders & other Inhabitants who are Qualified to Vote in town affairs. To meet at said time & place to act on the following articles (Viz) First to Chooſe a Moderator for Said Meeting (2) To Hear ye Report of the Committe appointed to Examin the treaſurers accounts and to act thereon as they See fitt. (3) To Grant money to Repair the Great Bridge and to act any thing Relating thereto they may think proper

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(4) To know the minde of the town whether they will Repair the School-Houſe and do any thing Relating thereto they think best. (5) To hear the Petition of James Hay praying the town to grant him Some Releif under his present Needy Circumſtances, (6) To Hear the accounts of thoſe perſons the town is Indebted to & grant money to pay the Same (7) To know the minde of ye town whether they will Build a Wharf at their Landing place at Samuels Key (So Called) in Cambridge and act any thing Relating thereto as they think proper (8) To know the minde of ye Town whether they will Build a Work-Houſe and if they Agree thereto, Then to grant money therefor, and to act any thing Relating thereto as they See fitt. ————

The Next Day Warrants were Issued out Accordingly.

Pr Jon^a^: Brown Town-Clerk

At a General Town-Meeting of the freeholder and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Qualified to vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting Houſe in Said town on Monday the 18th Day of may Anno: Domini - 1772. The Meeting being opened The Votes being bro^t^: in Sorted & Counted it appeared that Capt: Jonathan Brown was Choſen to Serve for and Repreſent them in the Great & General Court the Enſueing year ———

At a Gen^ll^ Town-Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Qualified to Vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the publick Meeting in Said Town on

Monday the 18th Day of May. AD 1772- to Transact Sundry affairs as Setforth in the Warrant for Sd: Meeting ————
Deacon Samuel Fisk was Chosen Moderator for ye meeting
Then Voted & Granted ye Sum of 10 pounds to Repair ye Great Bridge
after Some Debate the Vote was put whether the town will Repair the School-Houſe and it past in the affeirmative — —
Then Voted to Chooſe a Committe to View ye Said School Houſe & made Rep[ort]

Voted & Choſe for Said Committe { mr Simon Hasti[ngs]
mr David B *
mr Simon *

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The fifth article Relating to mr: James Hays Request to the town & after a Longe Debate thereon — They Voted & Granted the Sum of £ 10 pounds as an addition to the Grant made at march Meeting last to help Support the poor — — — — — —
Voted and Granted 12s/ Shillings to pay mr. Israel Whitney for Some Stones to Repair Treadways Bridge (So Called — — ——
Then Voted to adjourn the meeting with the Remaining Buſineſs till the Next Monday at 4: of the Clock afternoon at this place — — — — — — ————
The following is the Report of ye Committe Appointed to Examin the town Treaſurers Accounts which was accepted (Viz)

We the Subscribers being Appointed by the town of Watertown to Examin the town Treaſurers accounts have Attended that Service and find said accttſ well Vouch't and Right Cast

Watertown May ye: 14th= 1772. { Nathll: Harrington
Samll: Fisk
William Bond } Comttee

At a General Town-Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Qualified to vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the Publick Meeting Houſe in sd: town on Monday ye 25th Day of may AD 1772. Pr: Adjournment— The Meeting being Opened They Proceeded to act further on the (4th) article in ye Warning (Viz) 1. Voted to Grant money to Repair the School-Houſe (2ly) Voted & Granted ye Sum of £ 18 pounds for

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that Purpoſe (3) Voted to Chooſe a Committe to Repair s^d: School-Houſe

4 Voted and Choſe for Said Committe — { m^r: Sam^{ll}: White
m^r: Moſes Stone
m^r Simon Whitney

(5) Voted that the Chimney be Removed to Some other place
Then the (7) article being Read—They Voted to Build a Wharf at Samuels Key (So Called) in the town of Cambridge — — — then voted to Chooſe a Committe to finde what the Charge may be &c —

Voted & Choſe for s^d: Committe — — — { m^r: Moſes Stone
m^r Sam^{ll}: White
m^r Josiah Capen

Voted that said Committe make Report to the town this day Fortnight.

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The (8th) Article being Read and after Debate thereon, they Voted to Build a work-Houſe — — — — — — — — — — — —
Voted to Chooſe a Committe of Five men to look out a Suiable place and Draw a proper plan or model for Said Houſe and make an Estimate of ye Charge and make Report to the town at the Adjournment of the Meeting — — — — — — — — — — — —

Voted & Choſe for Said Committe { M^r: Moſes Stone
m^r Jonas White
m^r: David Bemis
m^r: William Bond
m^r Daniel Sawin

Then the town voted that when the South pier of ye Great Bridge is Repaired that if the other towns Concerned conſent thereto it Shall be made wider — — — — — — — — — — — — —
Then they Voted and Adjourned this meeting to monday the Eighth Day of June Next at (4) of ye Clock afternoon at this place

At a General Town-Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting-Houſe on Monday the eighth Day of June Anno-Domini 1772-
P^r: Adjornment—
The meeting being opened —The Seventh article Read Relating to the Building a wharf at Samuels Kee (So Called) the Com-

mitte that were Chosen to Estimat the Cost of Building a Wharf at Said place made a Verbal Report— that it will Cost about one Hundred & Forty pounds (old Tenor) or in Lawfull money £ 18 : 13 : 4 to Build a good Wharf at said place
Then they Voted and Granted s^{d}: Sum of £ 18 : 13 : 4 for s^{d}: purpose
Then they Voted to Choofe a Committe of three men to Build s^{d}: Wharf

Voted and Chofe for Said Committe — { m^{r}: Mofes Stone / m^{r} Jonas Bond / m^{r} Neh^{h} Mason

Then ye eighth article was Read Relating to Building a Work-Houfe and the Com^{tte} Appointed to Look out for a Suitable place to Set Such a Building on &c Made a Report which is on file and after Some Debate on the affair a Motion was made and Seconded and the Vote was put whether the town will Reconfider their Vote at the last meeting for Building a Work Houfe and the Vote past in the Affirmative ————————
The Bufinefs being don ye moderator Declared the mee[ting] Desolved ————————

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham at the Houfe of Capt: Nathaniel Coollidge on Monday the 15th. day of June Anno. Domini 1772 — — — — — — — — — — —
They Agreed to Repair the Great Bridge in Watertown as Soon as it can Conveniantly be don and it is to Remain the Same Wedth that it now is—and it was agreed that it Should be laid about ten or twelve Inches higher than it now is at the South pier —— They also Agreed to Choofe a Committe of three perfons to take Care and git the Work Don (Viz) one from each town. — —

Voted & Chofe for Watertown — m^{r}: Samuel White
for Weston — — Lt Jonathan Stratton
for Waltham — — Dea^{n} Isaac Stearns

and it was Agreed to begin the work ye Next monday

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 31th Day of August AD: 1772. at the Houfe of m^{r}: Thomas Wellington They Signed their Approbation for mifs^{rs}: Edwd: Richardson, Bezaleel Learned, Thomas Wellington, & Capt: Nath^{ll}: Coollidge for their Renewing their licences as Inn-holders.—and M^{r}

Ezekiel Hall, m^{r}: Josiah Capen, m^{r}: John Hunt junior for Retailors, They Likewife approbated & Recommended m^{r}: Abner Craft for a Retailor.

And they Appointed a Meeting of the Selectmen of ye Several Towns Concerned in the Support of the Great Bridge in Watertown to be on the 14 day of September Next at 3 of ye Clock afternoon at the House of Samuel Livermor Esqr: in Waltham and ordered the town-Clerk to notifie the Selectmen of Weston & Waltham of ye time and place and to Desire their attendance. Notifications were Sent to ye Selectmen of Weston and Waltham Accordingly

P^{r}: Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at m^{r}. Bez^{ll}. Learneds on ye 18 Day of Jan^{ry}: 1773. Sam^{ll} Benjamin Applyed for Some Releif for his Sifter Whitney and they agreed to git her a Baize Gown & peticoat & allow him 2/ Shilling p^{r} week till further [*]ers

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston and Waltham on Monday y^{e}: 14th Day of Sep^{r}: Anno: Domini 1772. at the Houfe of Samuel Livermore Esqr: in Waltham The accounts that were bro^{t}: in by Sundry perfons for ye Repairs of the Great Bridge in Watertown Since ye last Adjustment which was on the 17th Day of Sep^{r}: AD 1770. the Sum ammounting to £ 11 : 12 : 4 : 2 was proportioned & adjusted Signed by the Selectmen and Entered at large in the Second Book in ye Treafury

Watertowns part being	4 : 1 : 11
Westons D^{o}	3 : 16 : 7 : 1
Walthams D^{o}	3 : 13 : 10 : 1
	11 : 12 : 4 : 2

At the Meeting aforesaid L^{t}: Jonathan Stratton paid the Sum of 11/10^{d} to the Treafurer of Watertown it being the Ballance which is due to Watertown after Weston has paid Said Stratton ye Sum of £ 3 : 4 : 8 : 1 for which Sum the Selectmen ordered the town-Clerk to give s^{d}: Stratton an Order on ye Selectmen of Weston for the Sum of £3 : 16 : 7 : 1 which Sum will be in full of Westons part when paid of ye Sum proportioned as abovesaid

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an order was Given on ye Selectmen of Weston Accordingly and Signed by Order of ye Selectmen Jon^a^: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Meeting of the Selectmen the 23th Day of Oct^r^: AD 1772. at the Houſe of m^r^: Thos: Wellington —— They Signed an order on the town Treaſurer to pay or Order ye payment out of the town Rate to each of ye Inhabitants of the town what appeared by the Surveyors lists they had worked out in Repairing ye High-ways Since last march. — also to pay m^r^: John Clark £ 6 : 13 : 4 pence for his Service in keeping School— also one pound one Shilling and Seven pence one farthing to ye wid^o^: Elizabeth Wyth of Cambridge for her Boarding Ruth Maddox. —— at this meeting m^r^ John Remington gave in a Notification to ye Selectmen Informing them that he had Received into his Family one Sarah Flagg who Came last from Concord on y^e^: 22^d^ Day of September last paſt. ————

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Fryday y^e^: 18th: Day of December Anno: Domini: 1772 at the Houſe of m^r^: Bezaleel Learned They agreed that the Clerk Should Diliver the late Samuel Hackletons Indentures to D^r^: Marſhal Spring ———— at this meeting James Hay made Application to ye Selectmen for Some Releif and they agreed that m^r^: John Remington Should Supply him with Neſsecaries to the Value of 2/8 p^r^ week till further orders. —— They also Signed orders on the Town-Treaſurer to pay the Sum of £ 11 : 12 : 4 : 2 to the town Creditors which found the Meterials & Repaired the Great Bridge, also to pay the Sum of £ 12 : 15 : 7 : 2 to the Town Creditors agreable to the Grants made them the Last march Meeting, and the Sum of £ 66 : 13 : 4 to the Rev^d^: m^r^: Seth Storer which was Granted him as a Sallary for the present year, also the Sum of £ 6 : 10 : 0 to the Committe appointed to Repair the School-Houſe. ————————————————————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 11th Day of Jan^ry^: AD. 1773 at the Houſe of m^r^. Thomas Wellington ~ They Sold the Clothing & other things which belonged to Mary Coollidge at Publick Vendue for the Sum of £ 29 : 9 : 6 old Tenor — and ordered the Treaſurer to pay the Sum of £ 1 : 12 : 0 to m^r^ Thomas Wellington it being the Expence in his Houſe — —

a meeting on ye 18^-th^ Day See y^e^ (62) page ———

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at ye House of Capt: Nathaniel Coollidge on Monday the 25th Day or January AD 1773 —
The wife of Joseph Bond & their two Children were bro^{t}: from Charlstown & Dilivered to ye Selectmen to take Care of Whereupon they Agreed with m^{r}: Nehemiah Rand of Charlstown to take the Said Joseph Bonds wife & the Eldest Child and keep them till the first day of may Next & m^{r}: Rand is to pay Four Shillings p^{r}: week to ye Selectmen for ye Labour of m^{rs}: Bond besides her, & her Childs Board —— ———
They Agreed with m^{r}: Jedidiah Leath to take the other Child of Joseph Bond for the present for 3/1 p^{r}: week ————
and they Agreed with Joseph Coollidge to keep Ruth Maddox Six [we]eks for 13/6 old Tenor p^{r} week. he is to fetch her from m^{r} Mafons

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Also Agreed with m^{r} Thomas Learned to take John Whitney ju^{r} and to have his labour Six Weeks & to pay to ye Selectmen 14/ Shillings p^{r}: week old Tenor ————————
at this meeting a Petition was presented to ye Selectmen Signed by a Large Number of the Inhabitants of ye town Desiring that they would Call a Town-Meeting that the Inhabitants may have an Oppertunity to agree upon Some Meafures in order to Obtain a Redrefs of ye Many Greivances which the people of this as well as the other Colonies Labour under at this time ——Wherefore They ordered the Town Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to the Several Constables Requiring them to warn the Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs to Afsemble at the publick Meeting House in said town on Monday ye first Day of February Next at one of the Clock afternoon to Choofe a Moderator for said Meeting — Secondly To Consider of the Greiveances Mentioned in the Petition to the Selectmen for Calling this meeting as also any other that the Colonies in America in General or this Province in perticular Labor under and to hear the Pamphlet Read which the Selectmen have Received from Boston wherein the Rights of the people are Stated as also the Greivances are pointed out, and for the town to act any thing Relating thereto the town may think best. — — ———
Warrants were Issued out Accordingly
P^{r}: Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the

Town of Watertown on Monday the first day of February AD. 1773.
Said Meeting being Called by the Selectmen in Compliance with a Circular Letter Received from the Com^{tte} of Corrofpondance of ye Town of Boston and at the Request of more than fifty of ye Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Said Watertown — — — —
The meeting being opened & Dea^{n}: Sam^{ll}: Fisk being Chosen Moderator at the unanimous Desire of the town the Pamphlet containing the Votes & proceedings of the town of Boston at their meeti[ng] Nov^{r}: y^{e}. 20th. 1772, Containing also the State of ye Rights of the [Colo]nists and of this Province in perticular and of the

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Infringments and Violations of thofe Rights was Publickly Read and after Some Debate thereon the Town Proceeded to Choofe a Com^{tte} to prepart Something that may be proper for the town to act on the affair before them and to make Report at ye adjournment of s^{d}: Meeting was Adjourned to the Fryday following ———
At a Meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhabitants of the town of Watertown February y^{e}. 5th. 1773. By Adjournment the Com^{tte} Appointed by the town the first Inftant Reported according to order which was Read and is as followeth (Viz)———
Refolved that it is the Opinion of the town that the State of Rights of the Colonists in General and of this province in perticular as men as Christians and as Subjects are by the town of Boston very properly Stated, and the violations of thofe Rights perticularly pointed out and fully Demonftrated.— upon thefe very Important affairs the Sentiments of the town are more fully expreft in the following Remarks &c: When we take a view of the Numerous Inftances wherein our Constitutional Rights & Charter priviledges are invaded, and Violently taken from us and the many perticulars where in we are Cruelly oprefsed — we are filled with fearfull Apprehentions that there is a Defign formed and plann Laid not only to oprefs but to Inflave us, which plann Seams to be Carrying into Execution with great Rapedity — The Consideration whereof fills us with great Grief & Anciety — For Rendering Such a wicked Defign abortive, we are willing to Contrabute to the utmoft of our ability in any Constitutional way that may be thought Expedient in Conjunction with our Bretheren of the Community — for however deep Such a plann may be laid and how far Soever advanced towards a Compleation, yet we

Don't look upon the Case Defperate It is not Impofsiable but the Snare may be broken and we may Escape; There are Several Considerations which Serve to Enliven our hopes, Perticularly the People in General through the province Seam to be Roufed to a Sence of the Danger to which their Liberties & properties are expofed — and to use their utmoft Endeavors to Recover & Secure them — we are alfo Incouridged by the Glorious Stand which the Reprefentative Body of this people and the Hon^{ll}: his Majesty's Council are making in Defence of our Liberties and their united Indeavours (with a fortitude) peculier to themfelves, to Stem the torrent of tyrany and opprefsion which Seams to threten to overwhelm & Deftroy us, Whereby they have merited ye applause and thankfull Acknowledgments of the whole province — and proved themSelves truly the Guardians of our Liberties, we are * Efpecially incouridged by the Consideration of the many Inftances wherein

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Divine providence hath Interpofed in Behalf of this People in times of their most eminent Danger — and wrought Diliverance for them — and it is our Earnest prayer to the Supream Governer of the univers who hath the Hearts of all men in his Hands that he would So order it in his providence that our Rights Liberties & priviledges Civil and Sacred may be Reftored and Confirmed to us, that they may be wifely Improved peacably and uninteruptedly Enjoyed by us and our Defendants till time Shall be no more

Sam^{ll}: Fisk
Jon^{a}: Brown
Mofes Stone
Saml White
} Committe

Watertown Feb^{ry}: y^{e}. 5th. 1773.

The foregoing Report Read & accepted without opofion ——
Voted that the Town-Clerk enter the Same on the town Records and Return an attested Copy thereof to the Committe of Corrofpondance in Boston

Attest Sam^{ll}. Fisk Moderator ———

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houfe of m^{r}: Bezaleel Learned on Fryday y^{e}. 5th: Day of February AD- 1773 ——

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They Agreed with m^{r}: Daniel Bond to take Joseph Bonds Child from m^{r} Jedidiah Leaths and keep it for the present and he is to have 3/ p^{r} week for his trouble — — — ———

The Proceedings of the Committe Chosen by the town of Watertown March y^{e}. 2th 1773. To take Care of the Schools & improve the money Granted for that Purpoſe the preſent year &c At a meeting of s^{d}: Committe at m^{r}: Learneds march ye 16th. 1772 They agreed with m^{r}: John Clark to keep the Grammer School one month at the Rate of £ 250 pounds old Tenor p^{r} year. to begin the 19th Day of march — — — — — — — — — — — — —
At a Meeting of S^{d}: Committe April ye 13th. 1772. They agreed with m^{r}. John Clark the present School-maſter to keep the Grammer School till the first of June next at the Rate of 250 pounds P^{r} year

At a meeting of s^{d}: Committe at m^{r}: Wellingtons may the 11th. 1772 They Determined that there Should be a Vacancy in the G[rammer] School to begin the first Day of June — — — —

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At Said Meeting they Agreed that there Should be five womans Schools opened to begin the first Day of June accordingly they agreed with m^{r}: John Strattons wife to keep a School at the East School Houſe, and with m^{r}: Elijah Bonds wife to keep a School in their Houſe, and m^{rs}: Rebecca Warrin to keep a School in m^{r}: Phinehas Stearns s Houſe, and m^{rs}: Hannah Cook to keep a School in their Houſe, and m^{r} Joseph Hay wife to keep a School in their Houſe, Accordingly they kept School Eleven Weeks & one Day and an half each at two pounds old Tenor p^{r}, week Said Miſtreſses to finde rooms or allow for them out of their wages. — At a meeting of s^{d}: Committe at m^{r}: Richardſons September ye 21th 1772. They Agreed with m^{r}: John Stratton to keep a School in the Towns School House to begin the 28th of September Inſtant and to keep till the 23th Day of October at the Rate of 250 pounds P^{r} year — At s^{d}: meeting the Committe Agreed with m^{r}: Palsgrave Wellington to keep the Grammer School a Quarter of a year at the Rate of £ 300 pounds old Tenor p^{r} year to begin the 23th of October — —
At S^{d}: meeting They also Agreed with m^{r}: John Stratton to keep a School at the East School Houſe to begin the 9th Day of Novem-

ber and to keep twelve weeks & three Days at two Dollars p^{r}: week — — — — — — —
At a meeting of S^{d}: Committee at m^{r}: Learneds January the 6th. 1773.
They Agreed with m^{r}: John Stratton to keep a School in the West School Houſe to begin the 8th Day of February and to keep twelve weeks and three Days at two Dollars p^{r}: week
At S^{d}: meeting they agreed with m^{r}: Henry Bright to keep the Grammer School to begin the 27th. Day of January & to keep till the first Day of march at the Rate of 300 pounds old Tenor p^{r}. year — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

William Bond P^{r}: Order

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At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of Capt: Nath^{ll}: Coollidge on Monday the 15th: Day of February AD. 1773.— They Agreed to Call a Publick Town Meeting to be on Monday the first day of march Next at twelve of ye Clock at noon at the Meeting Houſe and ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to ye Several Constables Requiring them to warn all the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs to meet at Said time & place for the Ends following (Viz)
First to Chooſe a Moderator for S^{d}: meeting (2^{ly}) To Chooſe Selectmen Town-Clerk & Treaſurer & all other town officers Required by law to be Choſe in the month of march annually — — (3^{ly}) To Chooſe a Saxton & agree how he Shall be paid for his Service (4^{ly}) To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer (5^{ly}) To know the minde of the town Whether Swine Shall Run at Large the present year — — (6^{ly}) To Chooſe a Committe to Examin the Treaſurers Accounts (7^{ly}) to appropriate the Interest money Coming to the town the present year. (8^{ly}) To Grant a Sallary for the Rev^{d}: m^{r}: Seth Storer for the year Enſueing the year begining the first day of march next (9^{ly}) To grant money to Support the Grammer & Engliſh Schools that may be agreed upon and act any thing Relating thereto the town may think fitt - (10^{ly}) To Grant money to Support the poor (11^{ly}) To Grant money to Repair ye Great Bridge (12^{ly}) To Hear the Accounts of thoſe perſons the town is Indebted to & Grant money to pay ye Same (13^{ly}) To grant money to Repair the High-ways and town-ways and act any thing Relating thereto the town may think

proper. (14ly) To Hear the Pleas of any of ye late Constables for abateing any perticular Persons Rates in their lists and to act thereon as they See fitt, (15) To know the minde of the town whether they will take up the two Hinde Seats in the Body of ye meeting Houſe on both Sides & make pews and act any thing Relating thereto as they think proper (16) To know the minde of the town whether they will Sell or lease a town way that lies between the lands of mr: Christopher Grant and the Heirs of mr John Kemball Deceaſt and to act thereon as they See fitt. (17) To Hear the Report of the Committes that were Appointed to Repair the School-Houſe & to Build a Wharf (at Samuels Key So Called) and to act any thing Relating thereto as the town think best, (18) To agree how Said Wharf Shall be Improved and act any thing on the affair they think best (19) To know the minde of the town whether they will appoint a Committe to finde out the Bounds of the Landing place near Dean: Fisks Marſh & do any thing on the affair they think best (20) To know the mind of the town wheather they will Build a work-Houſe and ac[any] thing Relating thereto they See proper — — — — — — — —

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Likewiſe to notifie the town Creditors to bring in their accounts to the Selectmen at the Houſe of mr: Bezaleel Learned on Fryday the 26 Day of this present month of February at 4 of ye Clock in the afternoon

Warrants were Issued out Accordingly

Pr Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on Fryday the 26th Day of February AD. 1773. at the Houſe of mr: Bezaleel Learned the following acctts were brot: in & accepted by the Selectmen (Viz) ———

mr: Daniel Bond for Boarding &c for Mary Coollidge	3 " 9 " 8
mr David Bemis for a Coffen for sd: Coollidge —	0 " 9 " 0
mr Simon Hastings for Diging a Grave for sd: Coollidge — —	0 " 4 " 0
mr Samuel White for Gloves for sd. Coollidges Funeral — — —	1 " 1 " 9 : 2
	5 " 4 " 5 : 2

Dean: Samuel Fisk for proviſions for James Hay	0 " 12 " 4
mr John Draper for Do for Do. — — — —	0 " 7 " 4 " 2

mr John Remington for Do to Do — — — — — —	5″ 6″ 10″ 2
	6″ 6″ 7″ 0
mr: John Remingtons other account being — —	1″ 5 : 2 : 0
mr: Ezekiel Hall for Clothing for John Whitneys wife —	1″ 11″ 9″ 3
mr: Samuel Benjamin for Do — — — — — — —	0″ 11″ 5″ 0
	2″ 3″ 2″ 3
mr: Jonathan Child for Boarding ye wido Tabitha Learned	1 : 4 : 0 : 0
Capt: Nathll Coollidge for Labour &c= at the Great Bridge	4″ 1″ 8 —
mr Stephen Harris for Do — — — — — — — —	0″ 19″ 4 —
The Committe for Repairing ye School Houſe —	28″ 3 : 11 : 3
The Committe for Building ye wharf — — —	31″ 17 : 6 : 0
Mr Isaac Sanderſon for a Hammer to Seal Leather with — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	0″ 1 : 9 : 2

The following accounts were brot to the Selectmen to be laid before the town (Viz)

To Dean: Samll: Fisk for Serving Aſseſsor the year past	0″ 18 : 0
To mr: Moſes Stone for like Service	0″ 18 : 0
To Jona: Brown for Service as Treaſurer & aſseſsor	3″ 11 : 4
To Capt. Daniel Whitney for Stones for a Bridge	0″ 4 : 0
	5″ 11 : 4

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At a Genll: Town-Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Qualified to Vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the publick meeting-house in Sd: Town on Monday the first Day of March AD. 1773 for ye Choice of town officers & other affairs as Setforth in the Warrants for sd: meeting ————

Voted & Choſe mr: Nathll: Stone Moderator for Sd: meeting

Voted & Chofe for Selectmen
- M^{r}: Mofes Stone & m^{r}: Thos: Clark
- m^{r}: Nehemiah Mafon
- m^{r}. Sam^{ll} White
- m^{r} David Bemis
- m^{r} Josiah Capen
- m^{r} Jonas Bond

m^{r}: Stone & m^{r} Clark at their Desire were Excufed from Serving

m^{r}: Bond Refused to Serve & m^{r} Sanger was Chofen in his Room see y^{e} (73) page

Voted & Chofe Jonathan Brown Town-Clerk & Treafurer

Voted & Chofe for afsefsors —
- Jonathan Brown
- D^{n} Samuel Fisk
- m^{r} Mofes Stone

Voted & Chofe for Constables & Collectors m^{r}f^{r}: Thos: Pattin & Wm Bond

Voted & Granted the Sum of £ 6 pounds to pay ye Collectors for their Service

Voted & Chofe for Wardens mifs^{rs}. David Coollidge & Eben^{r}: Stetfon

Voted & Chofe for Sealer of Leather m^{r}: Isaac Sanderfon

Voted & Chofe for Fence-Viewers mifs^{rs}. Phin^{s}. Stearns & Sam^{ll}: Barnard

Voted & Chofe for Surveyors of High-ways
- m^{r}: Richard Clark
- m^{r} Mofes Stone
- m^{r} Saml: Barnard
- m^{r} Thos: Wellington

Voted & Chofe for Tythingmen mifs^{rs} Sam^{ll}: Soden & Jedidiah Leath

Voted & Chofe for Hogrieves mif^{rs} Isaac Prentic & Jonas Coollidge

Voted & Chofe for Surveyors of Timber &c Capt^{t}: Nath^{ll}: Coollidge & m^{r} David Sanger

Voted & Chofe for Howards mif^{rs}: Isaac Sanderfon ju^{r} & Jonas Barnard

Voted & Chofe for Clerks of the markets mif^{s}: Elifha Learned & W^{m}: Hunt

Voted & Chofe for Cullars of Hoops Staves &c m^{r}/: Sam^{ll}: Cook & Sam^{ll}: Sanger

Voted & Chofe m^{r} Simon Hastings Saxton & Granted him 3 : 10 : 0 for his Service

Then the Votes were bro^{t}: in for County Treafurer ————

Voted that Swine Shall not Run at large the present year ———

Voted & Choſe for a Com^{tte} to Examin ye Treaſ^{r} acc^{tts} { m^{r}: Nath^{ll}: Harrington; m^{r}: Sam^{ll} Fisk; m^{r}: John Remington }

Voted & appropriated ye Interest money as it was last year (Viz) 5/4 to the School and the Remainder to ye miniſter

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Voted & Granted ye Sum of 66 : 13 : 4 for a Sallary for the Rev^{r} m^{r} Seth Storer the Interest money to be part, & the Remainder to be aſseſt

Voted & Granted ye Sum of £ 40 pounds to Support ye Grammer School

Voted to have Writting Schools & Granted £ 20 pounds to Support ye Same

Voted to have womens Schools & Granted £ 15 pounds to Support ye Same

Then Voted that this Meeting with the Remaining buſineſs be Adjourn'd to monday Next at one of ye Clock afternoon at this place

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At a Genl Town-Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Qualified to Vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the Publick meeting House in s^{d}: town on Monday the 8th Day of march AD 1773. By Adjornment ———

The meeting being Opened They Voted & Granted ye Sum of £ 24 pounds to Support the poor ye present year ———

Voted and Granted the Sum of £ 2 pounds to Support ye Great Bridge

Then the accounts of ye town Creditors were Read ammounting to the Sum of £ 5 : 11 : 4 which Sum was Granted to pay ye Same

Voted & Granted £ 80 pounds to Repair ye High-ways & town-ways and that the price of Labour be 3/ Pr Day for a man & the Like Sum for a Team — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Voted that the Aſseſsors make out Lists of Each Inhabitants proportion of s^{d}: Sum of Eighty pounds & give the list to ye Surveyors in the Same manner as they were the last year. — — —

Then they voted & abated Fanning Learneds Rates in Issaac Sanderſons lists & Granted ye Sum of £ 1 : 5 : 9 : 3 to make it good also abated ye Sum of 14/5 of Jonathan Feſsendens Rates in the s^{d} Sanderſons Lists & Granted the like Sum to make it good — —

Voted & abated John Stearns's Rates in David Sangers lists & Granted ye Sum of 1 : 17 : 8 : 3 to make it good ————
Then Voted to Reconſider ye vote & Grant of £ 15 pounds to Support womens Schools —
Then voted to appropriate what was left of the Grammer School last year to help Support the womens Schools
then voted that the money for writing & womens Schools [be] Equally Divided

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Then they Voted & Excuſed m^r^ William Bond from Serving Constable the present year — — — — — — — — — — — —
then the town being Informed that m^r^: Jonas Bond Declined Serving Selectman—they then Voted & Choſe m^r^. Nathaniel Harrington a Selectmen and he Refuſed to Serve —— ——
Then Voted & Choſe m^r^: David Sanger for a Selectman
Then Voted & Choſe m^r^. Samuel Nutting Constable in the Room of William Bond, and upon his plea to be Excuſed the town having Considered the Same Voted to Excuſe him ———
Then they Voted & Choſe m^r^: Nathl Harrington Constable in ye Room of m^r^ Sam^ll^: Nutting but he being unwilling to Serve they Choſe m^r^ Josiah Norcroſs for a Constable — ————
and m^r^: David Sanger was accepted to Serve Constable & Collector in the Room of m^r^. Thomas Pattin, and m^r^ Joseph Coollidge in the Room of m^r^ Josiah norcroſs by a Vote ————
Then after Some Debate thereon the town Voted to take up the two Hind Seats in the Body of ye meeting Houſe & make Pews —
Then Voted that Said pews Shall be Sold to ye Highest Bider —
Voted to Chooſe a Committe to Build Said Pews — — — — —
Voted & Choſe for Said Committe { m^r^: Moſes Stone; m^r^: Sam^ll^: Fisk; m^r^: David Bemis }
Voted that the Committe Build ye Said Pews before Next may meeting & then make Report to the town — — — — — — — —
Voted that the Pews to be built take in the little alleys So as to join to the other pews — — ——— ——————— ——————
Voted & Choſe m^r^: Jonas Coollidge Surveyor of Timber &c — —
Then they Voted & adjourned the meeting with the Remaining buſineſs to monday next at this place at 2 of ye Clock afternoon

Middleſex ſs: March the 8th. 1773.
Capt: Jonathan Brown of Watertown Appeared and was Sworn

to the office of a Town-Clerk Town-Treaſurer & aſseſsor for the town of Watertown, to which offices he was Reſpectively Choſe by Said Town and Sworn to the faithfull Discharge thereof

Before me Samuel Livermore Justice [of Peace]

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^ Bezaleel Learned on monday the 8th Day of march AD 1773 ————
Four of the Selectmen took ye oath Required by Law Relating to other Governments Bills of Credit (Viz) — — — — — — — —
miſs^rs^ Samuel White David Bemis Josiah Capen and David Sanger. — after which the following perſons were Sworn to the faithfull Discharge of the Several offices to which they were Choſen (Viz) Dea^n^ Sam^ll^ Fisk & m^r^ Moſes Stone Aſseſsors
miſ^rs^ David Sanger & Joseph Coollidge Constables ————
miſ^r^ David Coollidge & Ebenezer Stetſon Wardens —— ——
m^r^ Isaac Sanderſon Sealer of Leather ————
miſ^rs^ Phinehas Stearns and Samuel Barnard Fence-Viewers
miſ^rs^ Richard Clark, Moſes Stone, Sam^ll^ Barnard, & Thos: Wellington Surveyors of High-ways — — — — — — — ————
miſ^rs^ Samuel Soden & Jedidiah Leath Tythingmen ————
miſ^rs^ Isaac Prentice & Jonas Coollidge Hogrieves
miſ^rs^ Nath^ll^ Coollidge, David Sanger, & Jonas Coollidge Surveyors of Timber &c
miſ^rs^ Isaac Sanderſon ju^r^ & Jonas Barnard Howards — — — —
m^r^: Eliſha Learned Clerk of ye markets
m^r^: Samuel Cook Cullar of Hoops Staves &c
Sworn by Jonathan Brown Town-Clerk

At this meeting the Selectmen Agreed with m^rs^: Lock of Wooburn to take Joseph Bonds youngest Child and Board & provide for it three months for which She is to have 19/′ Shillings P^r^ week old Tenor — — — —
and they Signed an order on the Town-Treaſurer to pay the Sum of £ 46 : 3 : 5 : 1 to the Several persons after named to each ye Sum affixt to his name Viz

To Palsgrave Wellington — —	10″ 0″0
To John Stratton — — — — —	8″ 0″0
To Elijah Bond — — — — — —	3″ 0″0
To Joseph Hay — — — — — —	3″ 0″0

To Hannah Cook — — — — —	3″ 0″0
To Rebecca Warrin — — — —	3″ 0″0
To Daniel Bond — — — — —	3″ 9″8
To David Bemis — — — — —	0″ 9″0
To Simon Hastings — — — —	0″ 4″0
To Sam^{ll}: White — — — — —	1″ 1″9 : 2
To Sam^{ll}: Fisk — — — — — —	0″12″4 —
To John Draper — — — — —	0″ 7″4 : 2
To John Remington — — — —	6″12″0″2
To Ezekiel Hall — — — — —	1″11″9″3
To Samuel Benjamin — — — —	0″11″5″0
To Jonathan Child — — — —	1″ 4″0 —
	46″ 3″5 : 1

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At a Gene^{ll}: Town-Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of of Watertown who are Regularly Quallified to Vote in town affairs being Meet at the Publick Meeting House in S^{d}: town on Monday the 15th Day of March AD 1773. By Adjournment ~ The Meeting being Opened they Proceeded to act on y^{e} (16) article and after Some Dabate thereon they Voted that the Selectmen Inquire into the Circumſtances of the town way mentioned in Said article, and Make Reporte what they think proper for the town to act on the affair at may meeting — — — — — Then the Report of ye Committe appointed to Repair the School-House was Read, and it was Voted to accept the Same, also Voted that the money Due from m^{r}: Isaac Sanderſon by his Note of Hand be Appropriated to help Sattisfy the Committes account and that a Sum Sufficient with the Grant & appropriation to Sattisfie the Same Should be Aſsest which is £ 1 : 10 : 5 : 3
The the Report of ye Committe Appointed to Build the Wharf at Samuels Kee So Called being Read none of ye Committe being Present it was Voted that the Consideration thereof be Refeer'd to next may Meeting —— Then (18th) article being Read Relating to the Improvment of above-Said Wharf and the town Voted that the Selectmen let out the Same for the present as may be most for the Benfitt of ye town — — —

The (19th) article being Read and after Debate thereon they Voted to Chooſe a Committe to finde out & Settle the Bounds of y^{e}

Landing place near Dn Samuel Fisks Marſh & to make Report at may Meeting

Voted & Choſe for Sd: Committe — — { Dean: Samll: Fisk, Capt Jona: Brown, mr: Nathl: Stone }

Voted to put of the Consideration of ye article Relating to a Work-House till next may meeting. ——— The buſineſs of the meeting being don the moderator Declared it Diſsolv'd

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on the 15th: Day of march AD. 1773. at the House of mr: Bezll: Learned. ——— They Agreed with mr: Daniel Bond to take Care of & Board James Hays Eldest Child for three months at the Rate 42/ old Tenor Pr week —— and they Agreed with mr: Henry Bright to keep the Grammer School three months from the Second Day of march Inſtant at the Rate of £ 40 pounds Lawfull money Pr. year They also Agreed to meet the Houſe of mr: Edward Richardſon on monday the 29th Day of this present month of march to Let out the Wharf lately Built in Cambridge to the Highest Bider & Directed the Clerk to put up Notifications of the time and place of their meeting for sd: buiſineſs ——

At this meeting it was Agreed that mr: Josiah Capen and mr: David Sanger take Care of ye Great Bridge for the present.

at this meeting mr: Daniel Bond brot: in his account for Boarding & nursing Joseph Bonds youngest Child 4 weeks and an half at 3/ pr week — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — 0 : 13 : 6 —

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on ye. 29th. Day of march AD 1773. at the House of mr: Edward Richardſon in order to Let out the Wharf lately built by ye town in Cambridge it being put up to be let to the Highest Bider it Appeared that mr. Christopher Grant jur bid ye Sum of £1 : s15 = d4 which was the Highes Bid— Therefore it was Agreed that Said Grant Should have the Improvement of Said Wharf for one year from Sd: Day he giveing his note of Hand to the town Treaſurer to pay Said Sum by ye Expiration of Said Term. and he gave his note accordingly — — at this meeting ye Selectmen Signed an order on ye town Treaſurer

to pay y^e Sum of 45=15=11=2 to y^e Several perſons &c in y^e following manner (Viz).—

To Capt: Nath^ll. Coollidge for taking Care of y^e Bridge	4″ 1″8
To m^r Stephen Harris for Labour at D^o — —	0″19″4
To y^e Committe for Repairing y^e School House	18″ 0″0
To y^e Committe for Building y^e Wharf — —	18″13″4
to Isaac Sanderſon — — — — — — — — —	0″ 1″9=2
to Israel Whitney — — — — — — — — —	0″12″0
to m^r Henry Bright in part for keeping school	2″13″4
to m^r Daniel Bond — — — — — — — — —	0″13″6
	45″15″11″2

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At Said Meeting they Settled the Destricts of y^e Surveyors of the Highways as follows (Viz) m^r: Moſes Stones to be the Country from Cambridge line below m^r: Edward Richardſons to m^r John Remingtons, and the Roads South of the River, and Jeniſons Lane and the lane from s^d: Stones to the Publick Road by Nathan Coollidges, and the North Publick Road from Richardſons to Vilas and the lane Called Parrys lane — and also to work Four pounds Lawfull money under the Rocks. ————

M^r: Richard Clarks District to be from the Corner by Joseph Wellingtons the Road over Kings Common to the Road by Kemballs Corner at the foot of the meeting House Hill (so Called) and the Publick Road from thence to Vilas and also Maſons and Goddings & Chenerys Lanes ————————————

M^r: Thomas Wellingtons Destrict to be the Country Road from m^r: John Remingtons to Waltham line and the Road by Dirtygreen and Capt: Tainters lane as far up as his Houſe — and also to work out the Sum of five pounds under the Rocks. ——

M^r: Samuel Barnards Destrict as follows (Viz) m^r: Bemis's lane and from Capt: Tainters North to John Stearns's Corner from thence by m^r: Nathaniel Harringtons to Waltham line, also the lane by Capt: Daniel Whitneys to the meeting House, also the lane from the School House over the old Meeting House Hill to Kemballs Corner, and from thence the Country Road to Samuel Warrins and from thence North the Road by Thomas Harringtons and under the Rocks to Thomas Clarks Gate ————————

at this meeting they agreed that the Clerk write to ye Selectmen

of Weston to Send five or Six Hundred feet of good plank to the Great Bridge to Repair ye Same with ————————

At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the House of Capt: Nath^{ll}: Coollidge on monday ye 3^{d}: Day of may Anno: Domini 1773 ~ They Signed an order on the Treafurer to pay ye sum of £ 5 : 17 : 4 to m^{r} Ameriah Fullar & his Brother in full for House Rent for James Hay the last year.— And they Directed the town Clerk to write an or[der] to the Selectmen of Weston to pay m^{r}: Jonas Harrington ju^{r} of [Water]town the Sum of £ 1 : 14 : 4 : 3 for 172 feet of Planck which [he] bro^{t}: to ye Great Bridge in Watertown — — ——

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The Selectmen haveing Received a Precept from the Sheriff of the County of middlefex for the Purpose hereafter mentioned, They ordered the Clerk to Issue out warrants Directed to ye Several Constables to warn all ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Representative to afsemble and meet at the Publick meeting House on monday ye 17th Day of may Currant at two of ye Clock afternoon to Choof a Suitable Person to Represent them in a Great & General Court or afsembly appointed to be held & kept for his Majesty's Service at the Court Houfe in Boston on Wednesday the twenty-Sixth Day of this Inftant month of may. They also Agreed to have an other Meeting the Same Day and at the Same place at 3 of ye Clock afternoon and ordered the Clerk to Direct the Constables to warn all the freeholders and other Inhabitants of s^{d}: town who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to meet at Said time & place for ye Ends following (Viz) First to Choofe a moderator for Said meeting — Secondly To Hear the Report of ye Committe appointed to Examin the Treafurers accounts and to act thereon as they See fitt ~
(3^{ly}) To know the minde of the town whether they have any objection to the Wall's Standing in the place where it now is against ye Land of John Draper which he purchafed of William Sanger & for the town to act thereon as they think proper. (4) To know the minde of the town whether will Sell the Spots where they Agreed to Build pews and if So then to make Sale thereof or otherwife to give their Committe Some further Directions Relating to Building the Same, and to appropriate the money that

may arife by the Sale thereof for the Repairs of the meeting House or other ufes as may be thought proper, and to act thereon as they think best (5ly) To know ye minde of ye town whether they will keep an Englifh School the whole year, and if So to Choofe a School-master, and also Choofe a Committe to take Care of all the Schools that have been agreed upon or may be agreed to be kept, and to do any thing Relating thereto as may be thought proper. (6ly) To know the minde of the town whether they will appoint a Committe to See what peices or percels of land there is belonging to the town and agree how they Shall be Improved and to act any thing Relating thereto as may be thought proper — (7ly) To Hear the Report of any Committes that have been appointed for any perticular Services, and to act any thing thereon as they see fitt — (8ly) To finifh any Businefs that was Refered over to this meeting from the last march meeting. —

Warrants were Issued out Accordingly Dated the next Day

Pr Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Genll: Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice ot a Reprefentative Regularly Afsembled at the Publick Meeting-Houfe in Sd: Town on Monday ye 17th Day of may AD 1773.— The meeting being Opened and the Votes were Called for and after they were brot: in and Sorted & Counted it appeared that Capt: Jonathan Brown was Chofen to Represent the town in the Great & General Court for the year Ensueing. ———

At a Genll: Town Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly afsembled at the publick meeting House in sd: Town on monday the 17th Day of may Anno: Domini 1773. For transacting Sundry affair as Setforth in the warrants for sd: meeting

Voted & Chose Capt: Jonathan Brown Moderator for ye meeting

Then the Report of ye Committee appointed to Examin ye treafurers accounts were Read and Voted & accepted the Same

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Then y^{e} (3) article was Read — and the town Voted that John Draper have Liberty to Continue & keep up his Wall or fence against ye River where it was when he purchaſed the Land of William Sanger. — — — —

The (4) article being Read after Some Debate thereon the town Voted to make Some alterations in their first Inſtructions

Voted that the pews to be Built Should not go acroſs the Little alley & that the two Hinde Seats may be Removed two Inches forward & the fore Seat one Inch So as to make five Inches in the whole. and that the floor be laid the Same height as those behinde y^{m}

Voted that the Committe appointed to Build s^{d}: pews proceed to and git Said work don, by the first monday in August next ~

Voted that Said Committe make Sale of Said pews to ye Highest Bider as before Directed giveing Notice of Said Sale both as to time & place Seaſonably beforehand the purchaſer to be an Inhabitant of the town. — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

The (5) article being Read. —— it was Voted to Chooſe a Committe to take care of & provide for the Schools as to Maſters & miſtreſse[s] for the year Ensueing. — — — — — — — — — —

Voted & Choſe for S^{d}: Committe —— { m^{r}: Nath^{ll}: Harri[*]
m^{r} Nathl Stone
m^{r}: Saml B[*] }

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The (6) article being Read it was put to Vote whether it is the minde of ye town to Chooſe a Committe to finde out any peices or parcels of Land Belonging to ye town & make Report thereof at the Next meeting — it past in the affirmative

Voted & Choſe for Said Committe — { John Hunt Esqr
m^{r} Nath^{ll}: Stone
m^{r} Moſes Stone }

Then it was Voted that ye Selectmen let out the town way between m^{r}: Christopher Grants Land & Land belonging to the Heirs of m^{r} John Kemball Deceaſ^{t}: for ye present year and make Report at the adjournment of this meeting

Then the accounts of ye Committe appointed to Build the wharf at Samuels Key was Read & accepted ammounting to the Sum of £ 30 : 18^{s} : 6^{d} — and there being ye Sum of 12 :5 : 2 Ballance

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due more than ye Grant for s^{d}: Service it was Voted to put it off till the adjornment of this meeting — ——
Then the affair Relating to a work House which was put off from march meeting last to this meeting was Considered — and it was Voted that the Selectmen apply to the neighboring towns to See if they or any of them will joine in building one & Report to the town what is proper to be don
Then it was put to Vote whether this meeting with the Remaining businefs Should be adjorned to ye Second monday in August next and it past in the affirmative
it was accordingly adjorned to s^{d}: Day at two of ye Clock afternoon at this place — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
The Report of ye Com^{tte} appointed to Examin ye treaf^{r} acc^{tts} is as follows (Viz) ——— We the Subscribers being Appointed by the town to Examin the Treafurers accounts have attended Said Service & finde Said accounts well Vouched & Right Cast

John Remington }
Nathl. Harrington } Com^{tte}
Sam^{ll} Fisk }

At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houfe of m^{r} Bez^{ll} Learned on the 17th Day of may AD: 1773. They Approved of m^{r} Amos Bond being a Retailor in the Room of m^{r} Jonas White & [a]nd ordered the Clerk to Certifie it to ye Court of Sefsions of y^{e} [P]eace

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of m^{r}. Bez^{ll} Learned on monday the 31th Day of may Anno: Domini 1773.
They let the Lane between the Land of m^{r}: Christopher Grant & the Heirs of m^{r}: John Kemball Deceaf^{t}: to m^{r}: Phinehas Child to be Improved by him till the first Day of January Next for which he Agreed to pay ye Sum of twelve Shilling to the town-Treafurer for the use of the town and gave his note of Hand for the Same —

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday y^{e}. 12th. Day of July AD 1773. at the House of m^{r}: Bezaleel Learned they Signed an order on the Town-Treafurer to pay m^{r}: Benjamin Fefsenden Six Shillings in full for the use of of his Horfe & Chaife for the use of James Hay — — — — — — — ——————— —
and whereas Great Damage was don to the Meeting- Houfe last Saturday by Lightning —— They agreed to have a publick Town

meeting on monday ye ninth Day of August next at one of ye Clock afternoon at the Publick Meeting Houſe and ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed the Several Constables to warn all ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to aſsemble & meet together at ye publick meeting House at Said time to act on the following articles (Viz) —
First to Chooſe a Moderator for Said meeting (2^{ly}) to grant money for Repairing the meeting House or to appropriate any Sum of money that may ariſe by the Sale of pews or otherwiſe to Said use. and also agree how S^{d}. Houſe Shall be Repaired. and to do any thing Relating thereto that the town think Needfull (3^{ly}) To act on any matter or thing that may be laid before the Town as they shall think best, and Likewiſe to give notice that the last may meeting Stands adjourned to the Same Day at two of ye Clock afternoon. ————————
Warrants were Issued out accordingly Dated ye 28 Day Inſtant
Pr Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Gen^{ll} Town-Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inha^{ts} of Watertown who are Qualified to vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled & meet at the Publick meeting houſe in S^{d}: Town on Monday ye 9th Day of aug^{t}: Anno: Domini 1773
Voted & Choſe m^{r}: Samuel Fisk Moderator of s^{d}: meeting
Voted to Repair the Steple of ye meeting House and the the other parts, and to new paint all the windows and other works on the House that were painted before — — — — — — — — — — —
Voted that there Shall be Conducting wires put upon the Steple —
Voted & appropriated the Sum of 30 pounds out of the money that may ariſe by ye Sale of the new Pews if a Sufficient Sum may ariſe thereby, and if not then to aſseſs So much as to make up said Sum
Voted that ye Selectmen be a Committee to take care and git Said Repairs don — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
Then Voted to adjourn this meeting to the first monday in October next at two of ye Clock afternoon at this this place ——
and the meeting was accordingly adjou'd

At a Gen^{ll} Publick Town Meeting of ye freeholders &c at ye publick meeting House in s^{d}: Town on ye ninth day of August

AD 1773 By adjournment — Capt: Jonathan Brown being moderator of ye meeting
Voted and Appropriated 24 & ½ Dollars that may arife by ye Sale of the pews to pay for Building the Same — — — — —
Voted that the purchafers of ye pews Should pay ten Dollars as Soon as they are Struck of to them and one half of ye Remainder in 15 day & ye Remainder within one month after ye Sale — — —
Voted and Granted ye Sum of £ 12 : 5 : 2 to Sattisfie the account for Building the wharf —. — — — ——— — —
Then the meeting was Defolved — — — —— ——— —

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At a meeting of ye Selectmen on Monday ye 16th Day of August AD 1773. at the House of mr: Bezaleel Learned. —— They Agreed with mifsrs Simon Hastings Jonathan Learned jur & William MacCurtain to Repair the meeting House at the Rate of 4/6 pr Day for their Labour they to finde themfelves Board, and all their tools Ropes Blocks and all Nefsecary tackling only the town to pay 20/s Shilling for the use of Ropes &c: and ye Selectmen are to find all meterials = the workmen to begin as Soon as the Stuf is provided — at this meeting ye Selectmen Signed an order on ye Treafurer to pay mr: John Stratton the Sum £ 11 : 1 : 3 : 2 in full for his keeping School Last year. ——
They also appointed a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston, & Waltham to be on the 30th. Day of this present month of august at 2 of ye Clock afternoon at the House of Bezll. Learned in Watertown and ordered the Clerk to notifie the Selectmen thereof—
At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown, Weston & Waltham on monday the 30th. Day of august AD 1773 at the House of mr Bezaleel Learned in Watertown the Charge that has arifen Since the last adjustment which was on ye 14 Day of Sepr: AD. 1772 — The whole Sum being 9 : 7 : 10 was adjusted & Signed by the Selectmen of each town and Watertowns part is 3 : 6 : 6
Westons Do is- 3 : 2 : 0
Walthams Do is- 2 : 19 : 4

9 : 7 : 10

They also agreed to provide one String peice three Braces & as many Plank as is Nefsecary for the Repairs of the Bridge & Chofe mr: Josiah Capen for Watertown, mr: Thos: Rand for Weston,

and m^{r} Nath^{ll}: Bridge for Waltham to make ye Neſsecary Repairs at this meeting there was an order on ye Selectmen of Weston Signed to pay Jonas Harrington ju^{r} of Weston ye Sum of 2 : 13 : 7 : 1 in [full] for the Plank which he had bro^{t}: for the use of the Grea[t Bridge]

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And after ye Selectmen of Weston, Waltham were gon the Selectmen of Watertown Agreed with miſs^{urs} Jedidiah Leathe and Phinehas Stearnes to make the Iron Rods for ye Steeple of ye meeting House & they are to have four Shillings P^{r} pound for them old Tenor ————

They also agreed to meet again on Thursday Next at 4 of ye Clock afternoon at m^{r} Edward Richardſons to approbate Suitable perſons for Tavern keepers & Retailors of Spiritous Liquors

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of m^{r} Edward Richardſon on Thursday the 2^{d} Day of Sep^{r}: AD. 1773 —

They Approved of m^{r}: Edward Richardſon, m^{r}: Thos: Wellington, m^{r}: Bezaleel Learned & Capt: Nathaniel Coollidges Renwing their licences as Inn-holders—also m^{r} Ezekiel Hall m^{r}: Josiah Capen m^{r} Abner Craft m^{r}: Amos Bond and of John Hunt Esqr: in the Room of his Son John who is Removed out of town Retailors of Spiritous Liquors ————————

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the House of m^{r}: Bezaleel Learned on Monday the 13th: Day of Sep^{r}: Anno: Domini 1773 —

They Signed an order on the Town-Treaſurer to pay m^{r}. Henry Bright Six pounds in part for his Service in keeping the Grammer School the Present year—also the Sum of three pounds to m^{r}: Daniel Bond in part for Boarding James Hays Daughter ———

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At a Publick Town Meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the publick meeting House in Said Town on Monday ye 4th Day of October AD- 1773 - By adjournment

Dea^{n}: Samuel Fisk being Moderator ————
The Report of ye Committe Appointed to Build four new pews & to Sell the Same, was Read and Voted and accepted See below—
Then the Selectmens account of the Charge of ye Repairs of the Meeting House ammounting to £ 71 : 1 : 11 : 3 was Read & Voted & accepted See Page (86)

Then they Voted and Appropriated the further sum of £ 41 :1 :11 :3 of the money that has arifen by the Sale of the pews to Sattisfie Said account ————
Then they Voted that the Selectmen Should lay what Gravil is Necefsary Round the meeting House to Secure the under pining —
Then the Voted to have New Steps made to the meeting houfe
Voted that the Selectmen git hewed Stones for the Steps to the front Door and make the other as they think best
Voted that they Draw money out of the Treafury to provide the Meterials with —— —— —— —— —— —— —— ————
they also voted that the Glafs that was left Should be kept for the use of the meeting House — — — — — — — — — — — —
Then The Meeting was Disolved ————

The Report of the Committe appointed to Build and Sell the pews is as follows (Viz)
We the Subscribers a Committe Appointed by the town of Watertown to Dispofe of the pews lately Built in the meeting-House have attended that Service and Sold Said four pews to the highest Bidders under the Same Regulation that the other pews were Difpofed of—s^{d}. pews were Sold as followeth (Viz)

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	£ old Tenor
N°: 1 Sold To m^{r}: Simon Whitney for — — —	281 — 0——
N° 2 Sold To m^{r}: Ezekiel Hall for — — — —	250 — 0——
N° 3 Sold To m^{r}: David Bemis for — — — —	185 — 0———
N° 4 Sold To m^{r}: Samuel Soden for — — —	177 — 0——
	893 : 0 : 0
Lawfull money.	119 : 1 : 4
	£
Received of the Purchasers.	12
P^{r} C^{r}- — — — — — —	8 — 2 — 8

Remains in Cash	£	3—17—4
Prime Cost of Said Pews		7 : 4 : 0
Expence of Sale — — — —		0 : 18 : 8
	£	8 : 2 : 8

Moſes Stone
Sam^{ll}: Fisk
David Bemis

Watertown Octr. 4th. 1773.

The Selectmens account of the Charge for Repairing the meeting Houſe is as follows (Viz) ————————

To m^{r}: Simon Hastings for Labour & meterials	11 :	13 :	2
To m^{r}: Jonathan Learned ju^{r} for Labour &c —	6 ″	8 ″	3
To m^{r} William M^{c}: Curtain for D^{o}: — — —	5 ″	17 ″	0
To m^{r} Jedidiah Leathe for Iron-work — — —	4 ″	0 ″	6
To m^{r} Phinehas Stearns for D^{o} — — — — — —	2 ″	10 ″	6 ″ 2
To m^{r}: Abner Craft for Nails &c — — — — —	1 ″	17 ″	5 ″ 3
To m^{r}: Samuel White for Labour & meterials	3 ″	15 ″	4 ″ 3
To m^{r}: David Bemis for D^{o} — — — — — — —	18 ″	9 ″	2 ″ 2
To m^{r} Josiah Capen for D^{o} — — — — — — —	10 ″	16 ″	3 ″ 1
To m^{r}: David Sanger for D^{o} — — — — — —	4 ″	14 ″	2 —
To the Selectmen for Extra Expence — — —	1 ″	0 ″	0 —
	£ 71 ″	1 ″	11 ″ 3

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of m^{r}: Bez^{ll}: Learned on monday the 18th Day of Octr. Anno: Domini 1773 ———
They Signed an order on the town Treaſurer to pay or order the payment of the Several Sums which ye Inhabitants have worked out in Repairing ye High-way agreable to ye Return of the Surveyors of the Highways also to pay the town Creditors the Sum of £ 5 : 11 : 4 which was Granted to them at the last march meeting See page (70) ————————

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And at this Meeting Dea^{n}: Samuel Fisk gave notice in Writting to the Selectmen that he had Received into his Family two Children from Boston (Viz) Thomas & John Paſon they came to him Oct^{r}: ye 12. 1773 ————————
and m^{r}: Thomas Clark notified that he had Received into his

Family one James Downing from Lynn on the first day of February last past. also one Daniel Jackson gave in a Notification Informing that he had Received into his houſe in Watertown one William Fullar and Elizabeth his wife & their four Children (Viz) Katy, Molly, John & Cornelius, See the notifications on file

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 22th: Day of Nov^{r}: Anno: Domini 1773. at the House of m^{r}: Bezaleel Learned —
They Signed an order on the Town-Treaſurer to pay m^{r}: Henry Bright the Sum of twenty four pounds which with what has been ordered before will make the whole of his wages for keeping ye Grammer School in Watertown till the third Day of December next ———
At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Tuesday the Seventh Day of December Anno: Domini 1773. at the House of m^{r}: Bezaleel Learned- They agreed with m^{r}: Daniel Bond to Board the widow Tabitha Learned four weeks at three Shillings p^{r} week, and with m^{r}: Jonas White to Board Ruth Maddox four weeks at nine Shillings p^{r} week old Tenor ————
At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 20th Day of December Anno: Domini. 1773 at the House of m^{r} Thomas Wellington, They Agreed to Call a publick Town-Meeting to be at the publick meeting House in Said town on Monday the third Day of January Next, and Then agreed to Adjourn their meeting to monday the 27 Day of this Inſtant December to meet again at Said Wellingtons to appoint the time of Day and also the Buſineſs to be acted on at Said Meeting

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And on the Said 27 Day of Dec^{r}: the Selectmen being meet according to Agreement They ordered the Town-Clerk to Issue out warrants Directed to the Several Constables to warn all the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs to meet at ye publick meeting- houſe in Said town on Monday ye Said Third Day of January 1774. at one of ye Clock afternoon to act on the following articles (Viz)
First To Chooſe a moderator for Said Meeting. — Secondly To See if the town will agree upon any Method or way to prevent ye Estate of John Stearns from being taken from him for Debt and for the town to act any thing Relating thereto as they may

think best. Thirdly To See if the town will agree upon any way or means to widen and Repair the Great Bridge over Charls-River to make it more Safe paſsing & Repaſsing over the Same, & Do & act any thing Relating thereto as the Town Shall think Neceſsary. ———

Fourthly For the town to take into Consideration the many Evils and Difficulties this province in perticular, as well as America in General Labour under by the Importation of Teas into this province Subject to Duties laid on the Same by an act of perliment, and to See if the Town can come into Some Meaſures to Discourage the Importation thereof, or at the last to Come into Some Reſolutions that may prevent the Trade and Conſumtion of that article within the Town of Watertown untill Such time as the Duty Shall be taken off the Same, and for the town to act any thing Relating thereto as they may think best, ———

Fifthly. To See if the town will agree to Build pews in the Gallaries in the Meeting House where the Back Seats are against ye windows, and to do any thing Relating thereto as they See fitt. — Warrants were Issued out accordingly

P^r^: Jon^a^: Brown Town-Clerk

Dated Decr ye 28th: 1773.

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At a Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled on monday the third Day of January Anno: Domini 1774. at the publick Meeting House in Said Town to Tranſact Sundry affairs as Setforth in the Warrants for Said Meeting ———

They Voted & Choſe Dea^n^: Samuel Fisk moderator of s^d^: meeting Then the Second Article Relating to the Circumſtances of John Stearns being Read and after Some Debate thereon — it was Voted that the Town-Treaſurer be and is hereby Impowered in the name & Behalf of the town to pay and Sattisfie, or give Security for one half of the Sum for to Sattisfie an Execution that now lies against John Stearns & Thomas Harrington in Favor of Francis Dana it being the Proper Debt of Andrew White — — also Voted that the Selectmen be desired to proceed to finde out the Circumſtances of John Stearns's Estate & Endeavor to bring his affairs to a Settlement as Soon as they can ————

Then the third article was Read Relating to the Great Bridge over Charls-River in Watertown and after Debate thereon they

Voted & thereby Impowered their Repreſentative in the name and Behalf of the town to joine with the Representatives or any Committes that may be Appointed by the other towns Concerned in the Support of S^{d}: Bridge, in Petitioning to the Great and General Court for Some Releif under the Great Burden of Supporting Said Bridge ——— —— ——— —— ———
Then it was moved & Voted that the meeting with the Remaining buſineſs be adjourned to the House of m^{r}: Bez^{l} Learned to meet there in half an Hour from this time —
The town being meet at M^{r}: Bezaleel Learneds House according to adjournment. The moderator Oppened the meeting and the article Relating to East India-Companys Sending Teas into this province subject to Duty, being read and after Consideration and Debate thereon, The Town Expreſt their minds on this occation in manner and form as Entered on the next page

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Taking into Consideration the Diſtreſsed Scituation of this province as Well as the other Brittiſh American Colonies Occationed by the Brittiſh Parliments Claiming a Right to tax the Colonies & bind them in all Caſes Whatſoever — Thereby Denying us an Excluſive Right to tax our Selves and Dispoſing of our own properties. and have actually levied a Tax upon the Colonies by Impoſeing heavy Duties on Sundry articles Imported by the Colonies for the Expreſs purpoſe of Reiſing a Revenew to the Crown, and the Injurious Application of the Revenues So unjustly Extorted from us (Viz) for the Support of Civil Government and Defraying the Charges of the Administration of Justice —The bad Effects whereof are already felt in this Colony by Rendering one Branch of the Legislative Court intirely Independant of the other for its Support, and the aſpect is no leſs thretning with Reſpect to the Executive part of the Government. —— having a tendancy (as we apprehend) of Saping and finaly overthrowing our Civil Constitution of Goverment and Introducing an arbitrary one. ——The publick Diſtreſs is Greatly Increased by a late act of parliment, Impowering the East-India Company to Export their Teas to america Subject to Duties upon its being Landed, — and the proceedings of Said Company in Confequence of Said Act in Shiping a Very large Quantity for the Colonies a Large Quantity whereof hath lately arived in Boston Harbour. whereby the Inhabitants of Boston and the

Neighbouring towns has been greatly Alarmed, which has Occationed the Inhabitants of Boston & the Neighbouring towns to aſsemble and Conſult how the fatal Conſequences of Landing & Vending Said Teas might be Prevented, and we are fully of oppinion that the people had a Right thus to meet & Conſult for their Common Safty —— We Read that the Jews in a State of Captivity & Slavery under an arbitrary King when a Decree was gon forth to Deſtroy them had Liberty to aſsemble together & Defend themSelves & Conſult how to ward off the blow that was coming on them by Preventing the wicked Edict being Carried into Execution, — under Providence they were wonderfully Succeeded having the kind Influences of a good Mordica in their favour who not accuſing them of Riot Sought their welfare & was accepted by the multitude of his Bretheren, — and we are also fully of oppinion that the people aſsembled at Boston on the 14th & 16th of December last, had no Design or Desire that the Tea on Board the Veſsels in the Harbour Should be Deſtroyed or any way Damaged but on the Contrary were very Desirous and uſed their utmost Endeavours that Said Tea might be Safely Returned to the [own]ers thereof

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But that the Distruction of the Tea was occationed by the Custom Houſe officers and the Governors Refuſing to grant a Clearance and paſs for the Veſsel that was Deſigned to Carry Said Tea back to the owner from whence it came —— Being Influenced bv ye foregoing Considerations Dreading of Slavery with which we Seem to be thretned and being True Friends to Liberty to which we have an undoubted Right, we would Exert ourSelves to the utmost of our power to avoid the former and Secure the latter. —— and we would be Glad to be joined by all our Bretheren on the Continent (in like Tribulation) in this Laudable attempt, For this purpoſe we Reſolve ————

First To indeavour to Discourage & as far as it lies in our power prevent the Importation or bringing of Tea into this province by the East India Company or any others, and accordingly Declare that for ye futer we will not purchaſe any Tea nor Suffer it to be used in our Families. ———— Second That we will have no Dealings with any Shopkeeper or Tradsman or any other who Shall perſist in Buying or Selling or useing of Tea in their Families ——— Third We give it in Charge to our Selectmen for

the time being not to approbate any perſon for a Tavernkeeper or a Retailor who shall Supply any Company or perſons with Tea or Shall perſist in making use of it in their Families, and that they use their indeavours to prevent any Such from having their licences Renewed. ——— 4 That in case any Teas Should be Imported by the East India Company or any others into this province, we will to the utmost of our ability oppoſe the Receiving and using Said Tea ————5 That if any perſons in this town Shall perſist in Selling or Buying or Conſuming any Teas Contrary to the true Intent & meaning of the foregoing Reſolves they Shall be Looked on as inemical to their town & Country and treated accordingly ——— 6 That the foregoing Reſolves be in force and fully Executed till the Duties aforesaid are taken off and no longer ————

Then it was put to Vote whether the foregoing Reſolves &c: be agreable to the town and it paſsed in the affirmative unanimouſly — and Voted that the town-Clerk Record the Same and transmit a Copy to the Committe of Correſpondance for the town of Boston which was don accordingly & attested by

Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

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Then the article in the warrant for this meeting Relating to Building pews in the meeting House was Read & after Debate thereon, It was Voted to Build pews in the Galleries next to the windows from one Stair-way to the other Round in ye front of the House ————

Voted that they be Built at the Cost of the town

Then Voted to Chooſe a Committe to Build s^{d} pews in Such way & manner as the Committe with the advice of the Selectmen Shall think most for the Benefit of the town and that they git Said work don by the Last Day of February next, and make Report to the town at next march meeting ———

Voted & Choſe for s^{d}: Committe —
- m^{r}: Josiah Capen
- Capt: William Bond
- m^{r}: Bez^{ll}: Learned
- m^{r}: Sam^{ll}: Sanger
- m^{r} Jedidiah Leathe

The Buſineſs of the Meeting being don the moderator Declared the meeting to be Diſsolved

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^: Bezaleel Learned on Monday the 10th: Day of January AD. 1774
They Agreed with m^r^ Daniel Bond to Board the wid^o^ Tabitha Learned for the present at the Rate of three Shillings P^r^ week
At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston & Waltham at the House of m^r^: Isaac Gleaſon in S^d^: Waltham on the 24 Day of January AD 1774.
They Agreed unanimously to petition the Great and General Court to afford Some Releif in widning and Supporting the Great Bridge over Charls-River in Watertown and that the Repreſentative of each town be Impowered as a Committe for that purpoſe

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At a meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r^ Thomas Wellington on ye 21 Day of February Anno: Domini 1774 —— They Signed an order on the Town-Treaſurer to pay m^r^: Moſes Stone £ 12 : 5 : 2 it being what Remained Due to him for Building the wharf in Cambridge ——— and they agreed to have a publick Town meeting on Monday the Seventh Day of march Next at twelve of ye Clock at noon at the publick meeting House & ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to ye Several Constables to warn all the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to aſsemble at the time and place afore Said to act on the following articles (Viz) First to Chooſe a moderator for Said meeting Secondly to Chooſe Selectmen Town-Clerk & Treaſurer and all other town officers Required to be Choſe in the month of march annually (3) To Chooſe a Saxton and agree how he Shall be paid for his Service ()4 To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer (5) To know the minde of the town whether Swine Shall Run at Large the preſent year (6) To Chooſe a Committe to Examin the Town-Treaſurers accounts (7) To appropriate the Interest money coming to the town ye present year (8) To Grant a Sallary for ye Rev^d^ m^r^: Seth Storer for the enſueing year the year begining the first day of march next (9) To Grant money to Support the Grammer & Engliſh Schools that may be agreed upon, and to act anything Relating thereto the town may See fitt (10) To Grant money to Support ye poor, (11) To Grant money to Repair the great Bridge and to act any thing Relating thereto they See fitt, (12) To hear the accounts of thoſe perſons the town is Indebted to and grant money to pay the Same (13) To Grant

money to Repair the High-ways & town-ways, and to act any thing Relating thereto they think proper, (14) To hear the pleas of the Constables for abating any perticular perſons Rates in their lists, and to act thereon as they See fitt (15) To know the minde of the town whether they will Improve m^{r}: John Stratton to keep the Engliſh School the whole year & to act thereon as they think proper, (16) To See if the town will provid firewood for the Schools and agree upon Some Method to Regulate the Same, and to act thereon as they See meet, (17) To know the minde of the town whether they will act any thing Rela[ting to] John Stearns's affairs, and to act any thing thereon as th[ey think] best.

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To Hear the petition of John Cookson & other praying that the Road by Dirty Green may be Repaired for the Reaſons Setforth in Said petition (19) To Hear the Reports of any Committees appointed by the town and to act any thing thereon as they think best. —— and Likwiſe to notifie the town Creditors to bring in their accounts to ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{r}: Bez^{ll}: Learned on Fryday ye fourth day of march next at two of the Clock afternoon ————————

Warrants were Issued out accordingly by me
Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

At a meeting of the Selectmen on Fryday the 4th Day of march at the House of m^{r}: Bezaleel Learned AD 1774 ————
in order to take in the accounts of thoſe perſons the town is Indebted to the following accounts were bro^{t}: in (Viz)

	To David Bemis for Neceſsaries for ye poor —	0″	18″	0
	To Saml White for Shoes for Ruth Maddox — —	0″	5″	4
	To Jedi^{h} Leathe for Joseph Bonds wife & Child	0″	14″	8
Bridge	To Ditto for Spikes for the Great Bridge	0″	4″	0
Bridge	To Josiah Capen for Labour & meterials for the Bridge — — — — — — — — —	2″	0″	10
Bridge	To David Sanger for D^{o}. at Ditto — —	2″	13″	5 : 3
	To Dr Marſhal Spring for Medicine & attindance on ye poor — — — — — — — — — — — — —	1″	2″	4
	To David Sanger for Cash Lay'd out for the poor	4″	2″	8
	To Thomas Learned for Boarding ye wid^{o} Tabitha Learned — — — — — — — — — — —	0″	6″	8

To Abner Craft for things for the poor — — —	2″ 5″ 5
To Daniel Bond for Boarding the poor — — —	7″ 12″ 8—3
To Bezaleel Learned for Boarding ye wid^o Tabitha Learned — — — — — — — — — —	0″ 18″ 0—0
To Jonas White for Boarding Ruth maddox —	0″ 6″ 0—0
To David Sanger for Labour at the meeting House	1″ 9″ 10—
To Samuel White for D^o — — — — —	1″ 16″ 0

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the following accounts were allowed & a Grant made to pay them

To Samuel Fisk for Serving aſseſsor ye year past	0″ 18″ 0
To Moſes Stone for like Service 18/ & Stones for a Bridge 9/	1″ 7″ 0
To Jon^a Brown for Serving Treaſurer & aſseſsor	3″ 11″ 4
To Sam^{ll} Barnard for Stones for a Sluce	0″ 5″ 0
To John Kemballs Estate for a plow	0″ 1″ 6
To John Cook for timber & Sawing	0″ 8″ 8
To Isaac Sanderſon for Serving Constable in ye year 1765	0″ 12″ 0
	7″ 3″ 8

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The account given by the School Committe is as follows (Viz)

There will be due to m^r: Henry Bright the Ninth Day of this Inſtant March for three months Service in keeping the Grammer School ye Sum of	10″ 0″ 0—
There is due to m^r: John Stratton for keeping the writing School 17 weeks at 12/ P^r week	10 : 4 : 0
and for his wives keeping School 6 weeks @ 5/4	1 : 12 : 0
There is due to m^{rs}: Stearns the wife of John Stearns	3 : 0 : 0
There is due to m^r Elijah Bond for his wives keeping the School last Summer	3 : 0 : 0
There is due to m^r: Eires Tainter for his wives keeping School two weeks at their House	0 : 10 : 4
and to mr^s Suſanna Wales y^e Sum of	3 : 0 : 0

Watertown March 7: 1774.

Signed

$Nath^{ll}$: Stone
Sam^{ll}: Barnard

1774 March y^e 4th: Bezaliel Learned gave in written Notifications of Several perſons he had Received into town ———

Josiah Capen gave notice of a number of perſons he had Received in
John Stearns gave notice of Sum he had taken in to his House —
Jonas White gave notice of a Family he had Received into town
Samuel Whitney gave notice of a Family he Received into the town, all the foregoing Notifications are in writing & are on file ———— also Davd Bemis gave in Several Notifications in Writing of perſons he had Received into his Family in Watertown the Notifications are on file ————
This day orders were drawn on Weston to pay mr Jonas Harrington jn £ 1 : 1 : 2 : 2 for 106 feet of plank which he brot: to the Great Bridge in Watertown ——— also another order to pay Capt John Mirick for 137 feet of Do for Do ye Sum of 1 : 8 : 8=3

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At a Genll: Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in Town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the publick meeting-houſe in Said Town on Monday the Seventh Day of march AD 1774. for the Choice of town officers and other affairs as Setforth in the Warrants for the meeting. ————

Voted & Choſe Mr: Samuel Fisk Moderator for sd: meeting

Voted & Choſe for Selectmen
- mr Samll: White
- mr Josiah Capen
- mr David Bemis
- mr David Sanger
- mr Elijah Bond

Voted & Choſe for Town-Clerk & Town-Treaſurer Jona: Brown

Voted & Choſe for aſseſsors ———
- Jona: Brown
- mr: Saml Fisk
- mr Moſes Stone

Voted & Choſe for Constables mr: Samll: Nutting & mr: Samll: Sanger
Voted & Choſe Wardens mefrs Daniel Whitney jur & Josiah Norcroſs
Voted & Choſe Sealer of Leather mr Stephen Whitney ————
Voted & Choſe Fence-Viewer miſrs John Tainter jur & Phinehas Child

Voted & Choſe Surveyors of Highways { m^{r}: Elijah Bond; m^{r} Nathl: Harrington; m^{r}. John Cook; m^{r} Amos Livermore }

Voted & Choſe Tythingmen miſ^{r} Josiah Bisco & Sam^{ll}. Cook

Voted & Choſe Hogrieves miſs^{rs} Saml. Hager & Simon Coollidge ju^{r}

Voted & Choſe Surveyors of Timber &c: David Sanger, Jonas Coollidge & Seth Norcroſs

Voted & Choſe Howards miſs^{rs} William Chenery & Abraham Whitney

Voted & Choſe Clerks of ye Markets miſr^{s} John Remington & Wm Hunt

Voted & Choſe Cullars of Hoops Staves &c miſs^{rs} Sam^{ll}: Cook & Saml: Sanger

Voted & Choſe m^{r} Simon Hastings Saxton & Granted him £
3 : 10 - 0 for his Service

Then the Votes were bro^{t}: in for a County Treaſurer ————

Voted that Swine Shall not Run at Large ye preſent year ——

Voted & Choſe for a Com^{tte} to Examin ye Treaſ^{r} acc^{tts} { m^{r}: Nathl: Harrington; m^{r} Saml Fisk; m^{r} Sam^{ll}: White }

Then Voted that the meeting with the Remaining buſineſs be [adjo]urned to next monday at one of ye Clock afternoon at this [place] which was accordingly don ————

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At a Gen^{ll} Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the publick meeting House in s^{d}: Town on Monday the 14th Day of march AD: 1774. by adjournment ~ M^{r}: Samuel Fisk being Moderator, The meeting being opened The (7) article in the Warrant being Read — it was Voted to appropriate the Interest money as it was Last year (Viz) 5/4 to ye Grammer School and the Remainder to the miniſter. — — The Voted & Granted as a Sallery for ye Rev^{d}: m^{r}: Seth Storer for the year ensueing the Sum of 66 : 13 : 4 the Interest money appropriated to that use to be part & the Remainder to be aſseſt

Voted to make the great Bridge over Charls-River in Watertown

So much wider as that Teams may paſs & Repaſs by each other and that the Selectmen acquaint the Selectmen of the other towns with the Vote of this town and also endeavour to finde what the Charge thereof will be as near as they can & make Report at next may meeting — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Voted & Granted ye Sum of £ 30 pounds to Support the poor ~

Voted & Granted the Sum of £ 100 pounds to Repair the High-ways & town-ways this year and that the aſseſsors make out lists of each Inhabitants part & Diliver the Same to the Surveyors as was don last year the price of Labour to be the Same as Last year ————

Then the accounts of Sundry perſons to which the town is Indebted was Read ammounting to the Sum of £ 7 : s 3 : d 8 which was Granted to pay the Same — — — — — — — — — — — —

Voted £ 20 pounds out of the grant made to Repair the High-ways be laid out to Repair the Road at Dirty-Green (So Called) —

Voted that the Constables Collect the Tax's this year & Granted three pounds to each of them for their Service they Giveing Bond as usual — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Voted and Granted £ 40 pounds to support the Grammer School

Then voted to have other Schools & granted the Sum of 30 pounds to Support the Same — — — — — — — — — — —

Voted that the grant made for other Schools be Laid out for Writting Reading & arethmatick and that there be two Engliſh Schools opened one at each end of the town at the Same time ——

Then it was Voted that the art 14-15-16-17 and ninteenth articles in the Warrants be put of to next may meeting then to be Considered ~

Then the meeting was Diſolved ————————

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Middleſex ſs Watertown March ye 14. 1774

Jonathan Brown was Sworn into the offices of Town-Clerk Town-Treaſurer & aſseſsor —

By Josiah Convers Justice peace

At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the House of m^r^: Bez^ll^: Learned

on monday the 14 Day of march AD 1774. The perſons afternamed were Sworn to the faithfull Discharge of the Reſpective offices after mentioned (Viz) ——————————
miſs^{rs}: Samuel Fisk & Moſes Stone aſseſsors ————
miſs^{rs} Daniel Whitney & Josiah Norcroſs Wardens ———
m^{r}: Stephen Whitney Sealer of Leather ————
miſs^{rs} John Tainter ju^{r} & Phinehas Child Fence-Viewers ———
miſs^{r} Elijah Bond Nathl: Harrington John Cook & Amos Livermore Surveyors of High-ways — — — — — — — — — — — —
m^{r} Josiah Bisco Tythingman — — — — — — — — — — — —
miſs^{rs} Samuel Hager & Simon Coollidge ju^{r} Hogrieves
miſs^{rs} David Sanger Jonas Coollidge & Seth Norcroſs Surveyors of timber &c
m^{r} Samuel Sanger Cullar of Hoops Staves &c: — — — — —
all Sworn by Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

At this meeting of ye Selectmen they agreed with m^{r}: Josiah Capen to keep & Board Ruth Maddox eight weeks and he to have Six Shillings p^{r}. week old Tenor & her Labour ———
They also agreed with m^{r} William Learned to Board the widow Tabitha Learned eight weeks for which he is to have 21/ Shillings old Tenor p^{r} week & her Labour ————
at this meeting ye Selectmen Signed an order on the town-Treaſurer to pay m^{r}: Storer s Sallary for last year it being 66-13-4 ———
also an order to pay the perſons after named the Sums affixt to their names (Viz)

To m^{r} Henry Bright	10″ 0″ 0
To m^{r} John Stratton	11″16″ 0
to m^{r} Elijah Bond	3″ 0″ 0
to m^{rs} Stearns wife to John Stearns	3″ 0″ 0
to m^{r} Eires Tainter	0″10″ 4
to m^{r} Elkanah Wales	3″ 0″ 0
to m^{r} David Bemis	0″18″ 0
to m^{r} Sam^{ll}: White	0″ 5″ 4
to m^{r} Jedidiah Leathe	0″18 : 8
to m^{r} Josiah Capen	2″ 0″10
to m^{r} David Sanger	2″13″ 5—3
to Dr Marſhal Spring	1″ 2″ 4—
to m^{r} David Sanger	4″ 2″ 8—
to m^{r} Thomas Learned	0″ 6″ 8—
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At a meeting of the Selectmen at the House of m^{r}: Edward Richardſon on Monday the ye 28th Day of march AD 1774 — They let the wharf in Cambridge that belongs to Watertown to m^{r}: Phinehas Child for one year next enſueing to begin the thirtieth day of this Inſtant month of march for which ye Said Child is to pay £ 2 : 8 : 8 for ye Same and he accordingly gave his Note of Hand to ye Town-Treaſurer for S^{d}: Sum —— at this meeting they Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay m^{r} Samuel White 3/4 for the Expence of ye Selectmen at their last meeting with ye other Selectmen of Weston & Waltham about the Great Bridge, also to pay m^{r}: Edward Richardſon 5/8 it being the Expence in leting out the Wharf — at this meeting m^{r} Josiah Capen bro^{t}: in an account for things &c procured for the poor ammounting £ 2 : 6 : 0 Lawfull money —

At a meeting of the Selectmen on Monday ye 4th: Day of April 1774 at the Houſe of m^{rs} Dorothy Coollidge —
They agreed that ye Diſtricts for the Surveyors of Highways Should be as follows (Viz) ————

m^{r}: John Cooks to begin at Waltham line on the Country Road & all that Road down to the Great Bridge, Including the Road by Dirty-Green and all the Roads that belong to the town on the South Side of the River, also the Country Road from the Great Bridge to the Barrs of Deacon Fisks pasture, and Capt: Tainters lane to Whitneys Corner —— and m^{r}: Cook is to work out £ 20 pounds at Dirty-Green

M^{r}: Nathaniel Harringtons Diſtrict to begin at Waltham line west of his House, and the lane Called Bemis's lane, and from thence over ye Hill northward to John Stearns's Corner, thence the lane by Capt: Whitneys to the meeting Houſe and the Road to Jonas Barnards — also the Road from Samuel Warrins Round by Thomas Harrington s to Thomas Clark s Gate under the Rocks. ————

m^{r}: Elijah Bond s Diſtrict as follows (viz) — To begin at Thomas Clark s Gate under the Rocks, thence Round by Kings Common by his houſe to Jonas Bond s & over the old meeting House Hill to ye School Houſe and the Road to Jonas Barnards and also the Back Road from Kings Common to Jon^{a} Coollidge Goddings and the lane thru^{t}: to Nathan Coollidges, and from m^{r}: Sheds to Amos Livermores — —— —— —— —— —— —

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M^{r}: Amos Livermores Destrict is to be from his own House South thro' Parrys lane and West on the Country Road to Deacon Fisks Barrs at the Southweſt Corner of his pasture & Nuttings Lane, and from Parrys lane East to Cambridge line & Stones Lane with the Country Road on the North Side Westward to Jonas Bonds

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the House of m^{r}: Bez^{ll}: Learned on Fryday the 15th Day of April AD 1774. ——
It being the year for Perambulating lines & Renewing the Marks between towns. The Selectmen that miſs^{rs} Saml. White & David Bemis Shall go on the line between Watertown and Cambridge also between Watertown & Waltham and that they attend that Service on Monday ye 25th day of this preſent month and to begin with Such as Cambridg appoint at Charls-River at eight of the Clock in the morning of S^{d}: Day —— also to begin with with Waltham men at Cambridge line at two of ye Clock afternoon
They also Agreed that miſs^{rs}: Josiah Capen & David Sanger Should perambulate with Newton men to meet with them at two of ye Clock afternoon on ye Same day to begin at Charls-River —
They Directed the Clerk to write to the Selectmen of the Several Towns aforementioned to give them notice of ye times and places aforeSaid & to desire their attendance —— which was accordingly don by Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

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at this meeting they Signed orders on the Treaſurer to pay out of the Treaſury the Sums affixt to ye Several perſons names hereafter mentioned (Viz) ————

To Abner Craft	2″ 5″5
To Daniel Bond	4″12″8″3
To Bezaleel Learned	0″18″0—
To Jonas White	0″ 6″0—
To Sam^{ll}: White	2″ 1″0—
To Josiah Capen	2″ 6″0—
	12″ 9″1 : 3

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At a meeting of the Selectmen on monday the 25th Day of april AD: 1774 at the House of m^{rs}: Dorothy Coollidge — They

Signed orders on the Treafurer to pay m^{r}: Henry Bright £ 1 : 10 : 9 in full for his keeping ye Grammer School in Watertown —also to pay ye Sum of £ 3 : 12 : 0 to m^{r}: John Stratton in full for his Service in keeping School the year past ——

They Appointed a meeting of ye Selectmen of ye Three towns Concerned in Maintaining the Great Bridge in Watertown to be at m^{r} Isaac Gleafons in Waltham to be on Monday the 2th Day of may Next at 4 of ye Clock afternoon & ordered ye Clerk to notify ye Selectmen of Weston & Waltham which was accordingly Don by me

Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

At a meeting of the Selectmen on monday the 9th: Day of may AD 1774. at the House of m^{r}: Thomas Wellington — They having Received a Precept from the Sheriff of ye County of middlefex for the purpofe hereafter mentioned. They ordered the Clerk to Issue out warrants Directed to the Several Constables Requiring them to warn all the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Representative to afsemble at ye publick Meeting House in Said town on monday ye 16th. Day of this present month of may at two of ye Clock afternoon to Choofe a perfon to Represent them in a Great & General Court appointed to be held and kept at the Town-House in Boston on Wednesday the 25th Day of this present month of may ————

They also agreed to have an other meeting at 3 of ye Clock in the afternoon on the Same day at the Same place and that the Constables be Directed to warn all ye freeholders & other Inhabitants who are Quallified to vote in town affairs to meet at Said time and place to act on ye following articles (Viz)

First to Choofe a moderator for Said meeting ————

(2) To hear the Report of ye Committe appointed to Examin the Treafurs accounts and to act thereon as they see fit ———

(3) To pafs any votes the town think proper on a list of juriors prepared by the Selectmen to be laid before them —

(4) To Choofe any town officers in the Room of any that Refufe

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(5) To grant money to widen & Repair the great Bridge & to act

any thing Relating thereto as the town may think proper ——
(6) To Hear the petition of a number of perſons praying the town to allow the Singers two pews in the Gallaries for ye Reaſons Setforth in their petition. (7) To know the minde of the town whether they will purchaſe the Estate of John Stearns, and to act any thing Relating thereto they think Neceſsary — (8) For the town to agree how they will Diſpoſe of the pews that are Building the Gallaries, and to do any thing Relating thereto they think best. (9) To know the minde of the town whether they will purchaſe a New Bell for the Meeting House out of the money ariſeing by the Sale of pews, and to act thereon as they See fit. (10) To appropriate any Sum or Sums of money belonging to the town that Remain unappropriated (11) For the town to finde out any peices of Land that belong to ye town, and agree how they Shall be Improved and to act thereon as they See fit (12) To know the minde of the town whether they will Sell Samuel White a Small peice of Common Land, & to act thereon as they think best. —
(13) To act on the Several articles in the warning for March meeting that were Refered over to this meeting. ————

Warrants were Issued out accordingly
P^r^: Jon^a^: Brown. Town-Clerk

At a Genl Publick Town Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly aſsembled at the Publick Meeting Houſe in Said Town on Monday the Sixteenth Day of may Anno: Domini 1774 —
for the Choice of a Repreſentative Capt: Jonathan Brown was Choſen to Repreſent the town in the Great & General Court appointed to be held & kept at the Court-Houſe in Boston on Wednesday the 25th Day of this Inſtant month of may.——

Watertown May y^e^: 16th 1774
miſs^rs^: David Sanger & Joseph Coollidge were Sworn to the office of Constables and miſs^rs^ William Chenery to the office of Howard and also Abraham Whitney. ———
By Jon^a^: Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Genl Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in Town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the publick Meeting Houſe in S^d^:

Town on monday y^{e}: 16th: Day of may A: D: 1774- to transact the affairs as Setforth in the Warning of meeting ————
They Voted and Choſe Dea^{n}: Sam^{ll}: Fisk moderator
Then Voted and accepted of the Report of ye Com^{tte} appointed to Examin The Town-Treaſurer accounts
The Voted and accepted as list of Jurours which was prepared by the Selectmen Except miſs^{rs} Nathaniel Stone and Samuel Cook who are Excuſed from Serving ————
Voted & Choſe m: David Sanger to be Constable in ye Room of m^{r} Saml: Sanger & m^{r}: Joseph Coollidge in the Room of m^{r}: Samuel Nutting ————
Then Voted & Granted ye Sum of £ 40 pounds to be Improved in widening and Repairing the Great Bridge over Charls-River in Watertown ————
Then the petition of William Bond & others praying that two pews in the front Gallary might be allowed to ye Singers was Read and after Debate thereon, they Voted & Granted ye prayer thereof & allowed the use of two pews During the towns Pleaſure
The 7th article in the warning being Read and after Debate thereon the Question was put whether the town will purchaſe the Estate of John Stearnes if it is like to be Sold under the Value thereof
and it paſt in the affirmative
Then Voted to Chooſe a Committe with power to purchaſe Said Estate for the use of the town if they think proper ————
Voted and Choſe for Said Committe — { m^{r} Jonas White / Jon^{a}: Brown / m^{r} Moſes Stone }
Then Voted and Appropriated as much money as is due to the town on Bond or Note of Hand as will purchaſe the Same ——
Then Voted that the pews now a Building in the Gallaries Shall be Sold to Highest bider under the Same Regulations as thoſe that were first Built ——
Voted that the Same Committee that were Appointed to Build the pews Shall have power to Sell the Same. ————
Then Voted that the purchaſers Shall pay Six Dollars dow[n] earneſt money on Each pew, & the Remainder in one m[onth]

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The 12th article being Read and after Consideration thereon they Voted to Chooſe a Committe to view ye peice of land which

m^{r}: Samuel White Desired to purchaſe of the town and that they Report to the town at the adjournment of this meeting what is proper to be don thereon

Voted and Choſe for Said Committe — { m^{r}: Nathl Stone
m^{r}: Sam^{ll}: Soden
m^{r} Simon Whitney

Then Voted that this meeting with the Remaining buſineſs be Adjourned to monday next at two of ye Clock afternoon and it was Accordingly adjourned ————————

The following is the Report of the Committe on the Treaſ^{rs} accounts which has been accepted

Watertown may ye 13th 1774 —

We the Subscribers being appointed by the town to Examin the Treaſurers accounts having attended Said Service and find Said accounts Well Vouched & Right Cast

Nathl: Harrington
Sam^{ll}: White } Com^{tee}

At a Genl Town meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Regularly aſsembled at the pub^{l}ick Meeting House in Said Town on monday the 23^{d} Day of may AD 1774 - by adjournment the meeting being Opened,

The 9th article being Read and after Some Debate thereon the vote was put whether it be the minde of the Town to Chooſe a Committe to Inquire at what lay they can purchaſe a new Bell and make Report at the adjournment of the meeting and it paſt in the affirmative ————————

Voted & Choſe for Said Committee — { m^{r} Josiah Capen
m^{r} Wm Hunt
m^{r} David Sanger

The 11th article being Read and after Debate thereon they then Voted & Chooſe Dea^{n}. Samuel Fisk to be a Committe man in the Room of John Hunt Esqr: who is out of ye Province they to Endeavor to finde out what peices of Land belong to the town, and Inquire further Relating to a peice of Land which m^{r} Samuel White desires to purchaſe and make Report [a]t the adjournment of this meeting ————————

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Then ye 14th article in the warning for march meeting being Read They Voted and abated Samuel Jeniſons ju^{rs}. Rates in m^{r}

Isaac Sandersons Lists and Granted 1 : 4 : 6 to make it good. —
Then Voted & abated s^{d}: Jenifons Rates in Joseph Coollidges list provided he will give his note of hand to ye Same at Such time as the Selectmen Shal^{l} Call upon him for ye Same and Granted ye Sum of to make it good ————
Voted & abated John Reads Rates David Sangers lists & Granted ye Sum of 0 : 13 : 6 : 2 to make it good ————
also Voted & abated morgan m^{c}: Conners Rate in s^{d}: Sangers list for 1773. & Granted y^{e} Sum of 0 : 8 : 4 to make it good
Voted & abated Tom Humphry s Rates in s^{d} Sangers lists and Granted 0 : 8 : 6 — to make it good ————
Then the town Voted that $^{the}_{y}$ Selectmen Should purchafe firewood for the Schools out of the Grants that were made to Support them. ————
Then it was put to vote whether the Committe appointed to Build & Sell the pews Should pay the workmen out of the money arifing by y^{e} Sale of them
and it pafsed in y^{e} affirmative
Then it was Voted that this meeting Should be adjourned to ye last monday in June next at 4 of ye Clock in ye afternoon and it was accordingly adjour'd ————————

At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the House of m^{r}: Bez^{ll}: Learned on Monday ye 23d Day of may AD 1774. ————
They agreed with m^{r}: Convers Spring to take & Board the wid^{o}: Tabitha Learned till ye last monday in June next, he to have 3/ p^{r} week
They also agreed with m^{r}: Mofes Stone to take the Care of and Board Ruth maddox three months from this time he to have 6/6 old Tenor P^{r} week ————
at this meeting m^{r}: Samuel Cook was Sworn to the offices of Tything man & Cullar of Hoops Staves &c
By Jon^{a}: Brown Town- [Clerk]

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At a Gen^{ll}: Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in Town affairs Regularly Afsembled at the Publick meeting House in S^{d}: town on Monday the 27th. Day of June Anno: Domini 1774. by Adjournment. ————
Dea^{n} Samuel Fisk being Moderator. the meeting being opened

The Committe appointed to See at what price a Bell might be procured at, Reported that they had not made any Inquiry
Then the Committe Appointed to Sell the pews made Report of their doings in Said affair which is as follows (Viz) ————
We the Committe Appointed by the Town to Dispofe of the pews lately Built in the Galleries in the meeting House have attended that Service and Sold Said pews to the Highest Bidders under the Same Regulations that the other Pews wer Sold (Viz)

	£
N°. (1) was Sold to m^{r}: Bezaleel Learned in old Tenor for	64 : 0 : 0
N° (2) To m^{r} Josiah Capen for ————	59 : 0 —
N° (3) To m^{r} Samuel Sanger for ————	63 : 0 —
N° (4) and (5) not Sold ————	
N° (6) To m^{r}. Samuel White for ————	77 : 0 —
N° (7) To m^{r}: David Coollidge for ————	56 : 0 —
N° (8) To m^{r} David Stone for ————	53 : 0 —
N° (9) To m^{r} Joseph Coollidge for ————	50 : 0 —
N^{n} (10) To m^{r} David Sanger for ————	55 : 0 —
N° (11) To m^{r} John Draper for ————	60 : 0 —
O: T:	537 : 0 : 0
in L: M	71 : 12 : 0

By Cash Received of the purchafers ————	32 : 4 : —
By ye purchafers notes payable to ye Treafurer —	39 : 8 : 0 -
	71 : 12 : 0
By Cash paid for Building ye pews ————	13 : 4 : 0
	58 : 8 : 0
By the Expence of ye Sale &c ————	1 : 0 : 0
By the Ballance Remaining due to ye town ———	57 : 8 : 0

William Bond
Bezaleel Learned
Jedidiah Leathe
Samuel Sanger

Then the Committe appointed to purchafe John Stearnes's Estate Reported that they had agreed for s^{d}: Estate for the use of the town, and were to give £ 269 : 6 : 8 for the Same, then the

Question [was] put whether it be the minds of ye town to accept Said [Re]port and it paſt in the Affirmative ————

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The Selectmen Informed the town that there not being a Sufficient Stock of ammunition belonging to the town they had purchaſed four half Barrils of powder & purpoſe to purchaſe Some Balls & Flints, and after the town had Conſidered the matter they Voted and Appropriated the Sum of £ 20 pounds out of ye money ariſeing by the Sale of the pews to pay for s^{d}: ammunition Then they Voted and appropriated the Remainder of the Said pew money (after the purpoſe'd Repairs of the Meeting-house are finiſhed) to help pay for John Stearns's Estate ————

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the House of m^{r} Bezaleel on monday the 27 Day of June AD 1774. —— They Agreed with m^{r}: Thomas Learned to take and Board the wid^{o} Tabitha Learned 8 weeks for which he is to have 21/ Shillings old Tenor P^{r} week — at this meeting they Sold Some old plank which belonged to the three towns Concerned in the Support of the Great Bridge to m^{r}: Josiah Capen for 15/ ——

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{r} Thos: Wellington on Tuesday ye 28th Day of June A. D. 1774. — They Signed an order on the town-Treaſurer to pay m^{r}: David Sanger £ 1 : 3 : 1 for what he had Disbursted for the Support of the poor &c ——

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on monday ye 4th. Day of July AD. 1774. at the Houſe of m^{r}: Thomas Wellington. They agreed to have a publick Town-meeting at the Publick meeting Houſe in s^{d}: town on monday ye 18th Day of this Inſtant month of July at Six of the Clock afternoon. And ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to the Constables to warn all the freeholders & other Inhabitants who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to aſsemble at Said time and place to act on the following Articles (Viz) —
First to Chooſe a moderator for s^{d}: meeting. (2) To agree how the Estate which was purchaſed that belonged to John Stearns Shall be Improved. (3) To agree where the Ammunition that

has lately been purchafed Shall be kept, and to act thereon as they See fitt.

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(4ly) To take into Confideration the Difficult and Diftrefsed State to which this province in perticular as well as America in General are brought into by any late acts of ye Britifh Parlement. and to Agree upon Some proper meafures that will have a tendancy to Relieve us under the prefent Burdens Occationed thereby — (5) For the town to agree upon Some way to pay their part of the Expence of the purpofed Congrefs. and to do any thing thereon they think proper —— (6) For the town to act any thing Relating to the Settlement of the line between Watertown and Newton as may be thot: best — (7) For the town to act any thing Relating to the widning and Repairing the Great Bridge they think proper. —— (8) To know the minde of the town whether they will Sell Some peices of Land that belong to the town and to act thereon as they See fitt. —— (9) To know the minde of the town whether they will grant Some Releif to the town of Boston under their present Diftrefsed Circumftances and to Do thereon as they See fitt —— (10) To hear the Report of any Committes that have been Appointed by the town and act thereon as they think proper — (11) To grant any Sum or Sums of money as may be thought Necefsary, and to act on any matters and things that may be thot: proper at this meeting —
Warrants were Issued out Accordingly ———
By Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Genll: Publick town meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly afsembled at the Publick meeting in sd: town on monday ye 18th Day of July Anno: Domini: 1774. to Transact the Several affairs as Set forth in the Warrat &c ———
Voted and Chofe mr: Nathll: Stone for moderator ———
Then Voted that the Selectmen Should have power to Lease out and Improve the Estate that was John Stearnes as they Shall think will be most for the benefit of the town ————
* that the ammunition that has lately been * be kept in the meeting Houfe ————

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The (4) article being Read together with a Covenant purpoſed to be Signed and after Some Debate thereon it appeared that the Form of the Covenant was not altogether agreable it being moved & Seconded that a Committe Should be Choſe to make a new Draft of what will be proper for the Inhabitants to Sign

Voted and Choſe for sd: Committe
- mr: Moſes Stone
- Dean: Samll: Fisk
- Jona: Brown
- mr Josiah Capen
- mr Nathll Stone

Voted that they make Report at the adjournment of this meeting —
Then Voted & Granted the Sum of 1 : 13 : 8 towards ye Intended Congreſs as their part of the Expence — — — — — — — — —
Voted that this meeting with the Remaining buſineſs be adjourned to the fourth monday in august next at three of the Clock afternoon at this place and it was Declared Accordingly adjourned. —

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of mr Bezll: Learned on Wednesday the 18th Day of August AD 1774. ————
They agreed to have a meeting with the Selectmen of Weston and Waltham on Thursday ye first day of September Next at three of ye Clock afternoon to adjust ye Charge of the Repairs of the Great Bridge in Watertown that has ariſen Since ye Last adjustment and Directed the Clerk to Send notifications to ye Selectmen of sd: Towns to Inform them of ye time and place of the meeting — which was Accordingly don

By Jona Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to vote in Town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the Publick meeting House in said Town on Monday the 22d. Day of August Anno: Domini 1774.
By adjournment —— mr: Nathl. Stone being moderator —
The meeting being Opened the (6) article being Read Relating to ye line between Watertown and Newton it was Voted that the Selectmen be a Comtte with full power in Behalf of ye town to

Settle Said line with Such perſons as may be appointed in Behalf of Newton ——
at this meeting it was Voted that the Selectmen are Desired to meet with Such perſons as may appear at at a purpoſed meeting to be held at Concord on the thirtieth day of this present month which may be Sent from the Several towns in this County to Conſult what may be proper to do in order to preſerve our Charter Rights —
also voted that the Selectmen Shall have Reaſonable pay for their time and Expence while in Said Service ——
Then it was Voted that this meeting Should be adjourned with the Remaining buſineſs to the first monday in Sepr next at this place at 4 of ye Clock afternoon. ——— ———
and the moderator Declared it was Accordingly adjourned

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham on the First Day of Sep^r: AD 1774 at the House of m^r Isaac Gleaſon Inn-holder in Waltham The accounts for the Repairs of the Great Bridge in Watertown which has ariſen Since the Last adjustment which was on the thirtieth Day of August anno: Domini 1773. amounting to ye Sum of £ 8 : 9 : 0 was adjusted & proportioned and Signed by the Selectmen of each town

Watertown s Part being	3 : 0 : 0
Westons D^o is	2 : 16 : 0
Walthams D^o is	2 : 13 : 0
	8 : 9 : 0

* the Settlement at Large in ye Second Book in ye Treaſury [pag]e (70)

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the publick Meeting House in Said on monday the 5th d Day of September AD: 1774. By adjournment. m^r: Nathaniel Stone being Moderator. — The meeting being opened & the Reſolves Entered into by the members of the County meeting held at Concord being Read. The Question being put whether they be agreable to the minde of the town and it paſt in the affirmative —— and it was ordered that they be Recorded in the town Book

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upon a motion made & Seconded, it was Voted that it is ye minde of the town the officers of the Melitia Company that Refide in the town Should Exercife all Such perfons as belonge to the towns & all others that Refide therein two Hours in each & every week in armes &c. during the three fall months alfo take a view of the armes & ammunition of all the perfons borne on the alarm list and Report the State thereof to the town at the adjournment of this meeting. —— also Voted that all perfons that are borne on the alarm & Training band list be provided with armes & ammunition accordingly by the First monday in October next — Voted that the Selectmen Secure the town Stock of ammunition in the best manner they Can ——

Then it was Voted that this meeting with the Remaining Bufinefs be adjorned to the first monday in October next at one of ye Clock afternoon at this place, and it was accordingly adjourned.

At a meeting of ye Selectmen on monday the 5th Day of Sep^r^: AD 1774 at the Hous of m^r^: Bez^ll^: Learned - They agreed with m^r^: Thomas Learned to keep the wid^o^ Tabitha Learned four weeks for three Shillings p^r^ week, and with Convers Spring to keep Ruth maddox 4 weeks for nine Shillings p^r^: week old Tenor the Said Learned & Spring to have their Labour

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen men on monday ye 12th day of Sep^r^: AD 1774. at the House of m^r^: Bezaleel Learned They Approved of the following Perfons Renewing their licences (Viz) Thomas Wellington Bezaleel Learned, Edward Richardfon, and the wid^o^ Dorothy Coollidge — Inn-holders Ezekiel Hall, Amos Bond, Josiah Capen, & Abner Craft to be Retailors ————————

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on Tuesday y^e^. 13th. Day of Sepr 1774 at the House of m^r^ Thomas Wellington, They having Received a Precept from the Sheriff of ye County of middlefex Requiring them to afsemble ye freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in the Choice of a Reprefentative

They ordered the Clerk to Issue out warrants Directed to the Several Constables to warn all the freeholders &c Quallified accordingly to law to vote in in that affair to afsemble at the publick meeting House in Said town on monday ye third day of

october next at twelve of ye Clock at noon for Said purpoſe
Warrants were Issued out accordingly ~
By Jon^a^: Brown Town-Clerk
At a Gen^ll^: Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly aſsembled at the Publick meeting House in S^d^: Town on monday the 3^d^: Day of October Anno: Domini 1774. for the Choice of a Representative the votes were Called for, & being bro^t^: in & Numbered it appeared that Capt: Jonathan Brown was unanimously Choſen to Represent the town in the Gen^ll^. Court that was appointed to be held at Salem on the fifth day of this Inſtant month of October. ————
Then the town Voted to Chooſe a Com^tte^ to Draw up Some Inſtructions to give their Representative and Dea^n^: Sam^ll^: Fisk m^r^ John Remington & m^r^: Josiah Capen were Chosen for s^d^ Com^tte^
[Th]en the meeting was adjourned to 5 of ye Clock afternoon

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At a General Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in Town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the publick meeting House in S^d^ town on monday the third Day of October Anno: Domini 1774. by Adjournment m^r^: Nath^ll^. Stone being moderator ———
a motion was made & Seconded & it was put to vote whether it is the minde of the town that Jonathan Brown who is this day Choſen Representative Should joine with the Representatives of the Several towns in forming a Provincial Congreſs and it paſt in the afirmative ————————
Then it was put to vote whether the town will Chooſe one or more perſons to joine with the Repreſentative in forming the Said Congreſs and it paſt in ye afirmative ————————
Then they voted & Choſe for Delegates to joine S^d^ Congreſs at Such time and place as may be appointed m^r^: John Remington and m^r^: Samuel Fisk —— ————————
Then a Motion was made to know y^e^. minde of the town Whether it is adviſable for the Collectors of Tax's to pay any more money into the province Treaſury at preſent and they voted that it was their opinion that they Should not till further orders from the town, and that the town will Save the Collectors harmleſs from all Charges that may ariſe by their So doing ————————
The it was voted that the Collectors Should proceed to Compleat their Collections as Soon as may be and pay the money into the town Treaſury till further orders of the town ————

Then voted that this meeting be adjourned to next Fryday at 4 of the Clock afternoon at this place. ————

At a Legal Town meeting at the Publick meeting House on Fryday ye 7th Day of October 1774 - it Appearing to be a thin meeting and the Clerk not being present, it was voted that the meeting Should be adjourned to monday ye 17th Inſtant at 3 of ye Clock afternoon at this place ————

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At a Publick Town meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the Publick meeting House in S^d^: Town on monday the 17th Day of Oct^r^: AD: 1774. by Adjournment m^r^: Nathl: Stone being moderator

The meeting being Opened. & the (7) article in the warrant being Read, it was Voted that the Sum of £ 4 pounds be aſsest towards the Repairs of the great bridge this preſent year & ye Remainder of the grant be left till further order of the Town. — Then the Question was put whether the town will mount & Equip two peices of Cannon now Lodged in the Town at their own Charge and it past in the affeirmative. ——— Then it was Voted to Chooſe three perſons as a Committe to git Said work don ——

Voted & Choſe for S^d^: Committe —— { m^r^: David Sanger, m^r^: Jonas White, m^r^: Abner Craft }

Then Voted that the meeting Should be adjourned to Fryday the 28th Day of this preſent month of October at 3 o Clock afternoon And on ye Said 28th Day it was further adjourned to monday ye 31th Inſtant. ————————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of m^r^ Thomas Wellington on Thursday the 17th: Day of Nov^r^: Anno: Domini 1774 They Agreed to have a publick Town-Meeting on monday the 21th: Day of this present month of November at one O: Clock afternoon at the Publick meeting House and ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to ye Several Conſtables to warn the Inhabitants who are Quallified to to vote in town affairs to aſsemble at S^d^: time and place to act on the following articles (Viz)

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First to Choofe a moderator for Said meeting. Second to Grant money to pay for the two Carriages to the two peices of Cannon that were ordered to be procured at the Expence of the town (3) To give the Selectmen Some Inftructions Relating to the Schools and to act any thing Relating thereto as the town may think proper. (4) For the town to Grant money to hire Preaching for the prefent or appropriate Some money for that Service and to act any thing Relating thereto that the town may think proper (5) For the town to do or act any thing that they may Judge Nefsecary for to Carry the Refolutions of the Continential and Provincial Congrefs's into Execution by any Grants of money or otherwife as they think proper.

Warrants were Issued out accordingly

Pr: Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

At a General Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly Afsembled at the Publick meeting House in sd Town on monday the 21th Day of November Anno: Domini 1774 —

They Voted and Chofe Dean: Samuel Fisk moderator of sd meeting.

Voted and Granted £ 20 pounds to pay for the Carriages for the Cannon

They then Voted that £ 15 pounds only Should be Improved out of the money granted for Supporting Writting Schools this present year. ————————————————

Voted that the money be Improved in manner as ufual

Then Voted the Remainder of the Grant made for Writting Schools be Improved for hireing Preaching if Nefsecary ———

Then Voted that the Selectmen together with Dean Saml Fisk take care to provide preaching for the prefent. ————

Voted that this meeting with the Remaining businefs be adjourned to this day three Weeks at this place at one [of] the Clock afternoon. which was accordingly don ——

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At a meeting of the Selectmen at the House of mr Bezaleel Learned on monday the 21th: Day of Novr: AD: 1774 ————

They Agreed with mr Thomas Learned to take & keep Ruth Maddox from this time till the annuverſery Meeting of the town in March Next for which he is to Receive from the town two Shillings pr week and he is to have her Labour

At a Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at the publick meeting Houſe in Sd: Town on Monday the 12th. Day of December Anno: Domini 1774. by Adjournment Dean. Samuel Fisk being Moderator - but not being able to attend mr: Samuel White was Chosen Moderator in his Room

A motion being made & Seconded it was voted to adjourn to the House of mr: Bezall Learned to attend at 4 o Clock the Same day which was accordingly don ————

at Said time & place. The meeting being opened & after ye Reading the Aſsociation entered into by ye Several Delegates of the Colonies in a Congreſs held at Philadelphia on ye 2d Day of October last — also the Reſolutions of the Provincial Congreſs They Voted to Chooſe a Committee of nine perſons to See that Said Aſsociation & Reſolutions be properly Executed

Voted & Choſe for Said Committee ———
- mr: John Remington
- mr Josiah Capen
- mr. Samll: Soden
- mr Thos: Clark
- mr David Sanger
- mr Nathan Coollidge
- mr Samll White
- Colo: Wm Bond
- mr Edwd; Harrington jur

Voted that any three of Said Committee be a Quoram ———

Voted & Choſe to be Capt: of the train

Voted & Choſe mr: David Sanger to be Leivt. ————

Voted that they appoint Such other officers as are needfull

Voted to Chooſe a Committe to Draw out on Quarter of the Melitia Company as minit men agreable to the advice of Congreſs

Voted & Choſe for Said Committe —
- Colo Wm Bond
- Lt Samll: Barnard
- Enſn John Stratton

[Then] the meeting was Diſsolv'd

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Fryday ye 23 Day of December AD 1774. at the House of mr: Bezaleel Learned ~

They Signed an order on the Town-Treaſurer to pay the Remainder of what was due to the late Rev^{d}: m^{r} Seth Storer for his Service in the work of the miniſtry for the last nine months which ammounted to 50 pounds which will be in full for his Service to his Deceaſe — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
They also Directed the Treaſurer to pay or order the payment of what each Inhabitant worked out in Repairing the Highways Since last march, agreable to the Surveyors lists — and also to pay the town Creditors £ 7 : 3 : 6 which was granted to them at last march meeting in the following manner (Viz) — — — — ——

To Da^{n}: Sam^{ll}: Fisk for Serving aſseſsor ye year past	0 ″ 18 ″ 0
To m^{r} Moſes Stone for D^{o}: 18/ & Stones for a Bridge 9/ — — —	1 ″ 7 ″ 0
To Jon^{a} Brown for D^{o} and Treaſurer — — —	3 ″ 11 ″ 4
To L^{t}: Saml: Barnard for Stones for a Sluce — —	0 ″ 5 ″ 0
To the Estate of John Kemball Dec^{t} for a plow —	0 ″ 1 ″ 6
To m^{r} John Cook for timber & Sawing — — —	0 ″ 8 ″ 8
To m^{r}: Isaac Sanderſon for Serving Constable in 1765 —	0 ″ 12 ″ 0
	7 ″ 3 ″ 6

and at this meeting they Agreed to have a Publick Town-Meeting on monday the Second Day of January next at one of the Clock afternoon and Directed the Clerk to Issue out warrants Directed to the Constables to warn all the freeholders & other Inhabitants who are Quallified to Vote for Repreſentatives to aſsemble at the Publick-Meeting House in said town at said time to Chooſe one or more Perſons to Repreſent the town in a Provincial Congreſs Propoſed to be held at Cambridge on the first Day of February next. and to act anything Relating thereto as may be tho^{t}: proper.
Then to Chooſe a moderator for the meeting ———
Whereas the town is now Destitute of a Gospel miniſter, For to take into Consideration what Steps is proper to be taken at this time, and whether the town will Set apart a Day for Fasting and prayer. to Seek the Divine preſence & Direction Relating to the Settleing an other Gospel miniſter, and for the town to act any thing that they may Judge proper to be don Relating thereto. ——
and Likewiſe to warn all the Training Soldiers borne on the training list, & also all that are borne on the alarm list to appear at the meeting House at half past one of the Clock th[e] Same-Day

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For the Town then and there if they think proper to Choofe officers for the milletary Company, and Draw out minit men agreable to the advice of the provincial Congrefs, and to determin upon what pay they Shall have for their Service, and to Grant any Sum of money for that purpofe they think fitt. —— and to do or act any thing the town may Judge Necefsary to put the Melitia of this town into the best posture of Defence. ————

Warrants were Issued out accordingly Dated the next Day- and Signed by me Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Legal Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in the Choice of Representatives afsembled at the Publick Meeting Houfe in s^{d}: Town on Monday the Second Day of January Anno: Domini 1775. for the Choice one or more perfons to Reprefent the town in a purpofed Congrefs to be held at Cambridge on ye First Day of February Next.

Voted to Choofe but one perfon for the purpofe aforesaid ———

Then the votes were Called for bro^{t}: in Counted & Sorted and it appeared that Jonathan Brown was unanimously Chofen

Then it was Voted that he Shall have power to Joine with the other members of the Congrefs when meet to adjourn from time to time and to any other place if they think proper, and to Continue their Sefsion & Sefsions until the Tuesday before the last Wednesday in May Next ——

Then m^{r}: Nathaniel Stone was Chofen Moderator of the meeting to transact the Several Matters Contained in the Warrant. ~

Then a motion was made & Seconded and Voted to Choofe a Committe to prepare a Draught of a proper Covenant for the Inhabitants of the town to Sign to, and to Make Report to the town at the adjournment of ye meeting

Voted & Chofe for S^{d}: Committe { m^{r}: Chris^{r}: Grant; Jon^{a} Brown; Dea^{n} Sam^{ll}: Fisk; m^{r} Josiah Capen; m^{r}: Mofes Stone }

Then the third article was Read & it was Voted to Set apart Thursday the 12th Day of this prefent month of January

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the purpofe mentioned in the warrant included in s^{d}: article

Voted to Apply to all the Rev^{d}: Gentlemen that were Pall-Holders to ye late m^{r} Storer to attend the Service of the Day & that the Rev^{d}: m^{r}: Cook & m^{r} Cushing Preach on the Day afore s^{d}: and that the other Gentlemen Perform the Services as they agree

Voted that m^{r}: Thomas Clark be desired to Invite m^{r}: Cook & m^{r}: Clark m^{r} Nathl: Stone Invite D^{r}: Appleton, m^{r}: Josiah Capen Invite m^{r} Meriam and m^{r}: David Bemis invite m^{r}: Woodward & m^{r} Cushing ————————

Voted that Divine Service begin at ten of the Clock in ye forenoon —

Voted that Dea^{n}: Samuel Fisk be Desired to Entertain the miniſters —

Then the article Relating to the Miletary Company was Read and Some debate it was Voted to Chooſe officers for the Company with the addition of one more Leiutenant then what was before

Then they Voted & Choſe the following perſons for officers (Viz)

Samuel Barned Captain —
John Stratton 1 Leiv^{t} —
Phinehas Stearns 2 D^{o}
Edward Harrington ju^{r} Enſign

Samuel Sanger y^{e}	1	Serg^{ts}.	Stephen Whitney	1	Corporals
Abner Craft —	2		Isaac Sanderſon ju	2	
Chris^{r}: Grant ju^{r}	3		Moſes Stone ju^{r} - -	3	
Josiah Capen ju^{r}	4		Nathl: Bright	4	

Then it was Voted that the meeting Should be adjourned to monday the Sixteenth Day of this present month of January to meet at this this place at two of ye Clock afternoon ————————

at the meeting afore Said the following vote was paſsed (Viz) —

Voted & Granted the Sum of 53 : 19 : 2 to be Improved for Defraying the Neceſsary Charges of this province as may be tho^{t}: proper by the Provincial Congreſs, and to be paid to Henry Gardner Esqr. of Stow who has been Appointed Receiver General for the Province by ye late Congreſs. and that the aſseſsors be Directed to Issue Warrants agreable to Law for that Purpoſe. —

This vote was omitted in its proper place See above

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At a Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in Town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the publick Meeting Houſe in Said Town on monday the 16th Day of January AD. 1775. ——
By Adjournment. Mr Nathaniel Stone being moderator —
The meeting being Opened. it was moved & Seconded to know whether the town will Chooſe or Draw out minuit men and it was put to vote and it paſt in the Negative ————
Then it was Put to vote whether the town will grant any money to incourage the learning the miletary art & it paſsed in the affiermative ——— Then voted to Grant and allow 4 Coppers to each man for his attendance once a week to learn miletary Exerſice, to be laid out for Refreſhment. — also voted to allow one Shilling to pay for Fifing at each meeting ————————
Then Voted & Choſe the four Commiſsion officers with the Sergants to be a Committe to lay the money out ————————
Then a motion was made to know the minde of the town whether mr: Isaac Biglow Should be Desired to Supply the Pulpit any longer than what he had already agreed to do, and it was voted that he be Desired to Supply Four Days more or till march Meeting
Then ye Comtte. appointed to prepare a Covenant Reported which was accepted —
Then it was Voted to adjourn this meeting with ye Remaining buſineſs to the first monday in February next at two of ye Clock afternoon to meet at this place. and it was accordingly adjourned

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the publick meeting Houſe in Said Town on Monday the 6th Day of February Anno: Domini 1775 by Adjournment
mr: Nathl: Stone being moderator. — it was moved & Seconded that the meeting be adjourned to the Houſe of mr: Bezaleel Learned which was accordingly don, The town being meet at mr Learneds after Reading the warrant. it was put to vote whether it be the minde of the town that the Committe appointed to mount ye great Guns do not Compleat the Same till after the Congreſs Riſes at it past in the affirmative ————
Voted that ye Repreſentative take advice of Some of the Congreſs Relating to ye purpoſed Aſsociation in Such way and manner as

he thinks proper. ———— Then it was Voted that this meeting Should be adjourned to monday the 20th Inſtant at two of ye Clock afternoon to be held at the meeting Houſe which was accordingly don ——

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly aſsembled at the publick Meeting House in Said Town on monday the 20th Day of February AD. 1775 — By Adjournment mr: Nathl: Stone being moderator — after Reading an adreſs from the Congreſs to the Inhabitants of this province with the Reſolves &c: and after Some Debate on the publick Affairs. it was Voted that the Committe appointed to mount the Great Guns Compleat the Same as Soon as may be. — The Buſineſs of the meeting being don it was Deſolved ————

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of mr. Thomas Wellington on Tuesday the 21th Day of February Anno: Domini. 1775 They agreed to have the annual publick Town-meeting to be held at the publick meeting House in Said town on Monday the 6th Day of march next at nine of the Clock in the forenoon & ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to ye Several Constables to warn all the freeholders and other Inhabitants to meet at Said time & place for the Ends following (Viz) ————
First to Chooſe a moderator for Said meeting ————————
(2) To Chooſe Selectmen & Town-Clerk & Treaſurer and all other town officers Required to be Choſe in ye month of march annually — — — — — — — — — — —
(3) To Chooſe a Saxton and agree how he Shall be paid for his Service
(4) To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer ————
(5) To know the minde of the town whether Swine Shall Run at large the preſent year ————————————
(6) To Chooſe a Committe to Examin the Treaſurers Accounts—
(7) To appropriate the Interest money coming to the town ye preſent year
(8) To Grant money to Support the miniſtry the enſueing year —
(9) To Grant money to Support any Schools that may be agreed upon & act any thing Relating thereto as the town may See fitt —
(10) To Grant money to Support the poor ————
(11) To Grant money to Repair the great Bridge. ————
(12) To hear the accounts of thoſe perſons the town is Indebted

to and Grant money to pay the Same ——————————
(13) To Grant money to Repair the High-ways & Town-ways and act any thing Relating thereto they think proper ————
(14) To hear the pleas of the Constables for abating any perticul[ar] perſons Rates in their lists, nd to act thereon as they See [fitt]

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(15) For to Determin in what way the Pulpit Shall be Supply'd for the preſent and act any thing Relating thereto the town shall think best. ——————
(16) To agree how the miniſterial place Shall be Improved & act any thing thereon as is thot: best ———
(17) To know the minde of the town whether they will Sell or let out the Town-way between the Lands of mr: Christopher Grant and the Heirs of mr: John Kemball Deceaſt and act thereon as they think best — — — — — — — — — — — — —
(18) To know the minde of the town whether they will allow mr Moſes Coollidge liberty to Set a Shop on the towns land near the wido murches, & act thereon as they See fitt ~
(19) To know if the town will abate mr Phinehas Child any part of the Rent of the wharf for Reaſons that may then be offered —
(20) For the town to Impower their Treaſurer if need be to give Security in their name and behalf for the purchaſe of mr: John Stearns's Estate, and Determin how it Shall be Improved —
(21) For the town to take into Consideration the Difficult State of the public affairs, and do or act any thing Relating to Encourage the miletary, or any thing to forward the payment of the money Designed for the use of the province and act any thing Relating thereto as the town Judge best ——
and Likewiſe to notifie the town Creditors to bring in their accounts to the Selectmen at the Houſe of mr: Bezll: Learned on Fryday the third Day of march next at three of the Clock afternoon. ——————————————

Warrants were Issued out accordingly the next Day
By Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

at the above-Said meeting mr Moſes Stone brot in an accott for Boarding Ruth Maddox &c amounting to the Sum of £ 1 : 2 : 5 : 3 which was alowed —— —— —— —— —— ——
At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the House of mr: Bezll: Learned on Fryday the 3d. Day of march AD. 1775. For to Receive the

accounts of thoſe perſons to whome the town is Indebted the following were bro^{t}: in (Viz) ——————————
m^{r} Daniel Bond bro^{t}: an account for Boarding Ruth Maddox ten Weeks which comes to — — — — — — — — — 1 : 8 : 4 : 3

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bro^{t}. forward — — — — — — — — — — — — —		1 : 8 : 4 : 3
m^{r} Elijah Bond bro^{t} an account for Boarding Ruth Maddox from ye 10 of Sep^{r}: 1774 to ye 19 of Oct^{r}: being 5 weeks & 4 days		0 : 6 : 8 —
For 2 day work at ye meeting House 50/ two loads of wood 120/		1 : 2 : 8
m^{r}: David Bemis account ———————		
To 1 pint of Rum for m^{r} Learned /6 two Buſhels of meal for m^{rs} Goddard - - - 6/8 - - -		0 : 7 : 2
other acc^{tt} 2 days work at the meeting Houſe	0 : 6 : 8	
two Chests for powder — — — —	1 " 4 " 0	
two loads of Wood for the School —	0 " 12 " 8	
	2 : 3 : 4	L 2 : 3 : 4

m^{r}: Sam^{ll}: Whites Account

For Labour & meterials at ye meeting House —		0 : 14 : 11 : 1
also an other account for things for Jame Hay	1 : 18 : 4	
For things for Ruth maddox — — — —	1: 1 : 6	
For John Stearns & wood for the School	1 " 8 : 0	
		4 : 7 : 10
m^{r}: Josiah Capens account for Sundry things for ye poor &c as may appear by his Account		9 : 4 : 4
m^{r}: Thos: Learneds acc^{tt}: for Boarding the poor &c to this time		11 : 15 : 6
Convers Spring for Boarding ye wid^{o}: Tabitha Learned 6 weeks		0 : 18 : 0
Wm Chenery for one Days work at the meeting House — — —		0 : 3 : 4
m^{r} David Sanger for things provided for the poor &c		3 : 12 : 2 : 2
and for Timber and Labour &c — — — — —		0 : 18 : 8 : 0
also an other account for Timber & Labour at ye Great Bridge		1 : 7 : 0 —
		38 : 10 : 6 : 2

N: B out of these acc^{tts} paid for ye poor £ 22 : 12 : 7 : 1

The following accounts were bro^{t} to the Selectmen & allowed by the town (viz)

To D^{r}: Marſhal Spring for attendance on ye poor	2″	16″	6
To m^{r}: Simon Hastings for Labour for the town &c	1″	1″	11
To Dea^{n} Samuel Fisk for Serving aſseſsor 1774	1″	0 :	0
To L^{t} Moſes Stone for D^{o} — — — — — —	1″	0 :	0
To Jonathan Brown D^{o} and Treaſurer — —	3″	13 :	4
To Jedidiah Leathe for laying two plow Shares	0″	16 :	0
	10 :	7 :	9
Miletary acc^{tts} To Col^{o} Wm Bond for fifing —	0 :	6 :	0
To Capt: Samuel Barnard for Expence at trainings — —	1 :	0 :	5
To L^{t}: John Stratton for D^{o} — — — — —	2 :	7 :	10 : 2
To L^{t}: Phinehas Stearnes for D^{o} — — — —	0 :	10 :	2 : 2
To Enſ^{n}. Edward Harrington for D^{o} — —	0 :	10 :	4 : 2
—To Serjant Samuel Sanger for Fifing — —	0 :	7 :	0 : 0
To the wid^{o} Dorothy Coollidge for Drink &c	1 :	10 :	2 : 3
This Sum is Granted by the town See Page (125)	16 :	19 :	10:[9]

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At a Gen^{ll}: Publick Town Meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the publick meeting Houſe in Said Town on monday the Sixth Day of March AD. 1775. for the Choice of Town officers and other affairs Setforth in in the Warrants for Said meeting — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

They Voted & Choſe Capt: Samuel Fisk Moderator of ye meeting

Then Voted & Choſe the following perſons to Serve in the Several offices hereafter mentioned (Viz)

Selectmen
- Enſ^{n}. Saml: White
- Josiah Capen Esqr.
- Serj^{t} David Bemis
- Lt David Sanger
- Elijah Bond Esqr

For Town-Clerk & Town-Treafurer Jonathan Brown

For afsefsors — — — — — — — — — { Jon^{a} Brown, Capt: Saml: Fisk, L^{t}: Mofes Stone }

For Constables Col^{o} W^{m}. Bond & m^{r}: Amos Livermore — — —
L^{t}. David Sanger appeared & offered to Serve in Said Bonds Room who was accepted by a Vote of the town — — — — — —
Voted that Said Sanger and Livermore be Collectors of Tax's
Voted & Granted 3 pounds to each of them for their Service they giving Security to the town as ufual ————
Voted for Wardens mifs^{rs} John Hunt ju^{r}: & Daniel Sawin
For Sealer of Leather m^{r} Stephen Whitney ————
Fence Viewers m^{r}: Simon Whitney & m^{r}: Bez^{ll} Learned ——
Surveyors of Highway Elijah Bond & Josiah Capen Esq^{rs}.
Tythingmen Jedidiah Leathe & Edward Harrington ju^{r}
Hogrieves mifs^{r} Isaac Prentice & Daniel Bond ———
Surveyors of Timber &c mif^{rs} David Sanger & Jonas Coollidge
Howards mif^{rs} Bez^{ll} Learned & Phinehas Child ———
Clerks of the Markets mif^{rs} Wm Hunt & Abner Craft ———
Cullers of Hoops Staves &c mif^{r}: Sam^{ll}: Cook & Sam^{ll}: Sanger
For Saxton m^{r} Simon Hastings & granted him 3 : 10 : 0 for his Service — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
Then the votes were bro^{t} in for a County Treafurer — — — —
Then it was put to vote whether Swine Shall Run at Large the Enfueing year it past in the negative — — — — — — — —

Chofe for a Com^{tte}: to Examin ye Treaf^{rs}: acc^{tts} { Capt: Sam^{ll}: Fisk, m^{r} Nath^{ll}: Stone, m^{r} Nathl Harrington }

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Then Voted and Appropriated the Interest money coming to the town as follows (Viz) 6/8 for ye Grammer School & ye Remainder towards the Support of the minifstry — — — — — — — — — —
Voted & Granted ye Sum of 66 : 13 : 4 for the Support of ye minifstry the Interest money to be part & the Remainder to be afsefst —
Then Voted to adjourn to two of ye Clock afternoon ————
Afternoon ————————————
Then Voted that the Grammer School Continue till next town meeting — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Then voted & Granted 30 pounds to Support the poor ———
Voted & Granted ye Sum of 4 pounds to Repair ye Great Bridge
Voted & Granted ye Sum of 40 pounds to Repair ye Highways & townways and that the aſseſsors make out lists in ye Same as was don last year. — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
The (15) article being Read and after Some Debate it was voted that the Selectmen with Deacon Fisk provide a Supply for the Pulpit till further order of the town — — — — — — — — —
(16) article being Read it was Voted to Chooſe a Committe to Consider the moſt proper way to Improve the miniſterial place and to Report at the adjournment of this meeting — — — — —

Voted and Choſe for Said Committe — { Dea^n. Saml: Fisk / m^r: Nathl: Stone / m^r: Sam^ll: White }

(17) article being Read it was voted to Chooſe a Committe to See into the Circumſtances of the Town-way mentioned in s^d: artcle & Report at the adjournment what they think is proper for the town to do with ye way

Voted and Choſe for said Committe — { m^r: Jonas White / m^r: Nathl Stone / Capt. Jon^a: Brown }

(18) article Read the town voted that ye Selectmen Shall grant the Request of m^r: Moſes Coollidge in behalf of the town if they think proper — — —
also it was Voted the Selectmen make Such allowance to m^r: Phinehas Child Relating to ye wharfe as they think proper. Likewiſe Settle m^r: Wm Hunts account as they see best. ———
The accounts of ye perſons the town is Indebted to amounting to the Sum of £ 16 : 19 : 10 : 1 : See page (123) being Read they voted & Granted ye like Sum to pay ye Same —— They Likewiſe voted that Jon^a: Brown Shall Receive the Sum of £ 10 pounds out [of] the School money in part for his Service in ye General Cour[t and] Congreſs — Then Voted & adjourned to monday next 2 of ye Cl[ock]

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it was Voted before the adjournment of the meeting that every man that appeared to Exerſice in either of ye miletary Companys Shall Receive the Same allowance as before, till the adjournment of the meeting ———————

At a meeting of ye Selectmen on the 6th Day of march: 1775. at

the Houſe of m^{r}: Bez^{ll}: Learned. They agreed with Josiah Capen Esqr to take care of & Board Ruth Maddox three months for which he is to have 16/ old Tenor per week & her Labour ~

At a Legal Publick Town meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the Publick-meeting in Said Town on monday the 13th Day of march AD 1775 ———
by Adjournment. Capt: Sam^{ll}: Fisk being moderator ————
The meeting being Opened. and the article being Read which Related to the miniſterial place and after debate thereon and Considering the Verbal Report of the Committe that were Appointed to Enquire into the matter. it was Voted to Chooſe a Committe to let out the Same or Such part thereof as they think proper ————————————

Voted & Choſe for Said Committe. { Capt: Saml: Fisk
m^{r}: Nathl: Stone
Josiah Capen Esq
m^{r}: Jonas White
L^{t}. David Sanger

The Committe appointed to view ye town-way by m^{r} Christopher Grants Reported that it was not Neceſsary to Continue Said way and s^{d}: Grant purpoſed to buy ye Same. and Then it was Voted that if S^{d}: Grant will pay five pounds into the town Treaſury for ye use of the town Said way Shall be Confirmed to him ~
Then it was Voted that Jonathan Brown Town-Treaſurer Shall, and is hereby empowered in the name & behalf of town to give Security for a part of the purchaſe of John Stearnes place as he Shall Judge Neceſsary ————
Voted that the Selectmen Shall have power to Improve John Stearns's place as they think best. ————————————

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Then the accounts of ye Committe that were Appointed to mount and Equip the Cannon were Read & after Considering the Same — The town Voted to Chooſe a Committe to Examin The accounts and Report to the town at their next meeting

Voted & Choſe for Said Committe ~ { m^{r}: Nathl. Stone
Jon^{a}: Brown
L^{t}: Phin^{s} Stearnes

The (21) article being Read and it being moved to know if the town will Continue to encourage the learning ye miletary art and it was Voted that ye Same allowance be Continued as was allowed at former meetings (Viz) 4 Coppers per man each time he attends to Execiſe provided it be not more than once a week & allowance For Fifers as before ————————

and it was Voted that the Constables be and hereby are directed to Collect all Taxes Committed to them as Soon as poſsiable and make Diſtreſs for ye Same where it is Neceſsary —

The Buſineſs of ye Meeting being don it was Diſsolved ——

March ye 13th: 1775. Jonathan Brown was Sworn to ye faithfull Diſcharge of the offices of Town-Clerk Town-Treaſurer aſseſsor by. John Hunt Justice of ye peace ————

The Same day there not being any Justice of ye peace preſent The following perſons were Sworn to ye faithfull Discharge of the offices hereafter mentioned by Jonathan Brown — Town-Clerk

(Viz) Capt: Samuel Fisk aſseſsor ————————

Lt David Sanger and m^r: Amos Livermore Constables ————

miſs^re John Hunt ju^r and Daniel Sawin Wardens ————

m^r Stephen Whitney Sealer of Leather ————————

m^rſs: Simon Whitney & Bez^ll Learned Fence-Viewers ~

Elijah Bond and Josiah Capen Esq^rs: Surveyors of Highways

m^rs Jedidi^h Leathe and Edward Harrington ju^r Tythingmen

m^r Daniel Bond Hogrieve ————————

Miſs^r David Sanger and Jonas Coollidge Surveyors of Timber &c

miſs^r Bez^l Learned and Phinehas Child Howards ————————

adjutant Abner Craft Clerk of the markets ————

miſs^rs Samuel Cook & Samuel Sanger Cullars of Hoops &c ———

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen the twenty fourth Day of May AD one Thouſand ſeven Hundred and ſeventy five. at the House of Mr Barzaliel Learned they having Receiv^d an Order from the Provential Congreſs for the purpose hereafter Mentioned they Ordered the Clerk to Iſsue out Warrants Directed to the several Conſtables Requiring them to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Qualify^d to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative to Aſsemble at the Publick Meeting house in s^d Town on Monday the 29th Day of this preſent Month

of may at one of the Clock afternoon then and there to Choose one or more ſuitable perſons to Repreſent the Town in A Provential Congreſs to be held and kept at Watertown on Wedneſday the 31t. Inſtant may at Nine of the Clock in the forenoon ——— they alſo agree to have another Meeting at three of the Clock in the afternoon of the ſame Day at the same place & that the Conſtables be Directed to Warn all the freeholders and Other Inhabitants who are Qualified to Vote in Town Affairs to meet at said time and place to act on the following Articles (viz)
First to Choose A Moderator for said Meeting ————
2d To Choose a Collector of Taxes in the Room of Mr Joseph Coollidge Deceast ————————
3d For the Town to Manifest their Minds Relating to the Pulpit being ſupplyed and to act any thing thereon they ſhall think fitt —— —— ————————
4 For the Town to act on any Matters that they think may be Neceſsary at this time in such way & Manner as may be thought Best ————————

Warrants were Issued out accordingly
Pr Jona; Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Publck Town-meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative Regularly aſsembled at the Publick meeting House in Said Town on monday the 29th Day of may 1775 Capt: Jonathan Brown was Chosen to Repreſent the town in a Provincial Congreſs appointed to be Convened at the above Said Meeting-Houſe on the 31th: Day of this Inſtant month of may

at a Publick Town Meeting held at the Publick Meeting House in Sd: town on the above Said Day, of The freeholders & others Quallified to Vote in Town affairs being Regularly aſsembled They Voted & Choſe Capt: Samll Fisk moderator for Said meeting ——
Then the Second article being Read then it was Voted to Chooſe a Comtt. to Examin the lists of mr Joseph Coollidge Deceaſt. Late Collector of Tax's — Voted & Choſe the present aſseſsors for Sd: Comtte - and that they be Impowered to apppoint an other Perſon in his Room and to agree what he Shall have for his

Service & make Report to the town at the adjournment of this meeting the third article being Read it was Voted that ye Selectmen with Dea^n^: Sam^ll^ Fisk Continue to Supply the Pulpit till further orders. — Then Voted to adjourn this meeting to this Day Fortnight to this place which was accordingly Don. —

At a Publick Town-meeting on ye 12th Day of ye Next month at the School Houſe nothing appeared neceſary to be don it was further Adjourned to the 26 Day of June to meet at the House of m^rs^: Dorothy Coollidge There being but two Perſons that appeared the meeting Dropt —

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At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the House of L^t^: Thomas Wellington on monday the 10th Day of July — AD 1775
They having Rec^d^: a letter from the Colony Congreſs for that Purpoſe they agreed to have a Publick Town-meeting at the meeting House on monday the Seventeenth Day of this present month for the Choice of a Repreſentative or Representatives in a Great and General Court Appointed to be held & kept at the Said Meeting House in Watertown on ye 19th Inſtant. and they Directed the Clerk to Issue warrants Directed to ye Several Constables to warn all the Inhabitants Quallified to Vote in Said Choice to meet at S^d^ time place for the Purpoſe aforeSaid ——
attest Jon^a^: Brown Town Clerk

At a Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick meeting-Houſe in S^d^ town on monday the 17th Day of July 1775 Capt: Jonathan Brown was Choſen to serve them in a Great & Gen^ll^ Court to be held at Watertown meeting Houſe on ye 19th Inſtant—

At a meeting of ye Selectmen on the 7th Day of Sep^r^: AD 1775. at the House of m^r^: Joshua Davis. They Signed on order on the Treaſurer to pay ye Sum of £ 38 : 10 : 6 : 2 to the following perſons each one the Sum affixt to his name being in full of their acc^tts^ bro^t^ in on the third Day of march last Viz

To Daniel Bond	1 : 8 : 4 : 3
To Elijah Bond	1 : 9 : 4 : 0
To David Bemis	2 : 10 : 6 —
To Sam[l]: White	5 : 2 : 9 : 1
To Josiah Capen	9 : 4 : 4 —
To Tho[s]: Learned	11 : 16 : 0 —
To Convers Spring	0 : 18 : 0 —
To W[m] Chenery	0 : 3 : 4
To David Sanger	5 : 17 : 10 : 2
	38 " 10 : 6 : 2

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston and Waltham on the 18th: Day of Sep[r]: AD. 1775. — at the Houſe of m[r]: Isaac Gleason Inn-holder in Waltham the accounts for Repairing the Great-Bridge in Watertown which has ariſen Since the last adjustment which was on the first day of Sep[r]: AD 1774. were adjusted and Signed by y[e] Selectmen of each town the whole Sum being 9 : 7 : 3 ——

of which Watertowns part is	3 : 7 : 0
Westons D[o] is . .	3 : 2 : 0
Walthams D[o] is .	2 : 18 : 3
	9 : 7 : 3

See the Settlemen at large in y[e] ( ) Book in y[e] Treaſury

At a meeting of y[e] Selectmen at the House of L[t]: Thomas Wellington on Wednesday the 4th Day of Oct[r]: AD: 1775. it was agreed that the wid[o]: Eunice Coollidge Should take care of and Board Mary Learned from the Second Day of this month at 5/4 p[r]: week till She lys-inn, then She is to have at the Rate 11/4 P[r] week for one month more from that time. ——

They also Agreed to have a publick Town-meeting at the Publick Middle School-House on monday y[e]. 16th. Day of this present month at two of the Clock afternoon, and ordered the Clerk to Issue out warrants Directed to the Several Constables to warn the Qualified Voters to aſsemble at Said time & place to act on y[e] the following articles (Viz) First to Chooſe a moderator for Said meeting.

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Secondly To know the minde of the town whethey they will open one or more Schools, & Grant money to Support the Same, and Choofe a Committe to take care of and provide Masters, and to act any thing Relating thereto as the town may then think proper. Third For the town to act on any Matters & things that they may Judge Necefsary for the Benefitt of the town

Warrants were Issued out Accordingly

attest Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Publick Town Meeting held at the publick middle School-House in Watertown on Monday the 16th Day of Oct^{r}: AD 1775 to Transact the businefs Settforth in the warrant for Calling Said Meeting -

Voted & Chofe Sam^{ll}: Fisk Esqr: Moderator

upon a Motion made & Seconded the Vote was put whether it be the minde of the town that this meeting be Adjourned to monday next at three of the Clock afternoon to this place to transact the businefs contained in the warrant and it past in the affirmative ——

and the meeting was accordingly adjourned

Attest Saml: Fisk moderator

At a Publick town meeting held & the middle publick School-House in Watertown on monday the twenty Third Day of Oct^{r}: 1775 By adjour^{t}.

Saml: Fisk Esqr: being moderator the meeting being opened the town proceeded

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The Second article being Read after Debate thereon the Question being put whether they will open any Schools and it paft in the affirmative

Then it was Voted that there be a Grammer Schools kept three months. also Voted that there be kept two Englifh Schools for three months one at each end of the town at the Same time.

Then Voted & Granted £ 30 pounds to Support s^{d}: Schools

Then Voted to Choofe a Com^{tte} to provide masters and fire-wood and to Infpect Said Schools

Voted & Choſe for S^{d}: Committee { M^{r}: Josiah Bright
Mr Thos Pattin
M^{r}: Simon Whitney
Enſ^{n} Edwd: Harrington ju
M^{r}: Sam^{ll}: Soden —

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House L^{t}: Thomas Wellington on the twelfth Day of Feb^{ry}: AD. 1776 —
They Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay the Rev^{d}. D^{r}. Samuel Cooper £ 20 pounds in part for his Service in the work of the miniſtery in Watertown. ——

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of L^{t}. Thomas Wellington on Fryday the First Day of march AD 1776 —
They Agreed to have the Annual march meeting on monday the Eleventh Day of march Inſtant at nine of the Clock in the forenoon and Directed the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant Directed to Amos Livermore one of the Constables to warn the Inhabitants of Watertown who are Qualified to Vote in town affairs to aſsemble at the Publick Meeting House in S^{d}: town at the time beforementioned to act on the following Articles (Viz)
First to Chooſe a moderator for S^{d} meeting. Secondly to Chooſe Selectmen Town-Clerk & Treaſurer & all other town officers Required by law to be Choſe in the month of march annually.

(3^{d}) To Chooſe a Committe of Correſpondance Agreable to a Reſolve of the General Court. (4) To Chooſe a Saxton & agree how he Shall be paid for his Service. (5) To put in their Votes for a County Register & Treaſurer.

(6) To Chooſe a Committe to Examin the Town-Treaſurer Accounts

(7) To Appropriate the Interest money Coming to the town ye present year.

(8) To Grant money to Support the miniſtery the Ensueing year. —

(9) To Grant money to Support the poor the year ensueing

(10) To Grant money to Support the Repairs of the Great Bridge

(11) To Hear the accounts of thoſe persons the town is Indebted to & Grant money to pay the Same.

(12) To Grant money to Repair ye High-ways & Town-ways y^{e}

eusueing year and to act anything Relating thereto as ye town think proper.

(13) To Hear the pleas of any Constables for abating any perticular perſons Rates in their lists & to act thereon as they think best.

(14) To Hear the Report of the Com^{tte} that was appointed to Improve the miniſterial place the last year, and to Determin how it Shall be Improved the year enſueing

(15) For the town to Confirm the town Road to m^{r} Chris^{r}: Grant that was agreed for if they think proper — — —

(16) To know the minde of the town whether they will Straighten the line between the miniſterial place and the Land of m^{r}: Bez^{ll}: Learned. and to act thereon as they See fitt. (17) To know the minde of the town how the Estate of John Stearns Shall be Improved ye year enſueing, and to act thereon as they think best (18) To appropriate any Sum or Sums of money that are unappropriated as the town may think proper. (19) To Determin whether Swine Shall Run at large the enſueing year.

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(20) To Grant money to Support any Schools that may be Agreed upon & to act any thing thereon as they think Proper —
and Likwiſe to Notify the Town Creditors to bring in their Accounts to the Selectmen at the House of Lt Thomas Wellington on Fryday ye 8th Day of this present month of march at two of ye Clock afternoon ————
A Warrant was Issued out Accordingly Dated the next day Signed by Order of the Selectmen.

Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

The aforementioned meeting was afterward put off to monday the Eighteenth Day — — — — —

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the House of L^{t}: Thomas Wellington on Fryday the 15th Day of March AD 1776 to Receive the accounts of thoſe perſons the town is Indebted to the following were bro^{t}: in (Viz) — The wid^{o}: Eunice Coollidge for Boarding

mary Learned 10 days at /8 p^{r} Day	0 : 6 : 8
to D^{o} 24 weeks at 16/ p^{r} week	19 : 4 : 0
	19 : 10 : 8

Wm. Chenery to Nurſing Mary Learneds Child 17 weeks @ 4/	3 : 8 : 0
Wm Learned to Boarding Mary Learned 6 weeks @ 4/8	1 : 8 : 0
Thos: Learned to providing for & Boarding ye wido Abigail Learned	27 : 11 : 4
Jonas White for Beef for James Hay	0 : 16 : 2
Saml White for Sundrys for James Hay & others	1 : 18 : 4
David Bemis for Do for James Hay & others	1 : 10 : 6
Elijah Bond for Do and others	2 : 3 : 2 : 1
Moſes Stone for things and Boarding Ruth maddox	1 : 4 : 1 —
Saml White for wood for the School	0 : 6 : 0 —
Josiah Capen for Beef for James Hay	0 : 11 : 7 —
David Sanger for things for the poor	2 : 12 : 8
	£ 63 : 0 : 6 : 1

Dr Marſhal Spring brot in an account of Medecine and attendance on the poor ammounting to — — which was Refered to the town ——	9 : 14 : 8

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The Accounts following were brot: in to be laid before the town (Viz) There being no grants made to pay them — — — —

mr Elijah Bond for 1 Day work @ the Highways	0 : 3 : 0
mr Thos: Clark for Labour at Highways	0 : 8 : 0
mr Richard Clark for Do	0 : 6 : 0
Samuel Fisk Esqr: for Do	0 : 3 : 0
Samll: Fisk Esqr for Serving Aſseſsor ye year past	1 : 0 : 0
mr Moſes Stone for like Service	1 : 0 : 0
Jona: Brown for Service of aſseſsor & Treaſurer the year past	3 : 13 : 4
Wido Dorothy Coollidge for Rum ye 19 Day of april for the men in the Lexington Battle	0 : 12 : 8
her other Account for Training Expence	2 : 2 : 3 : 1
Major Saml Barnard Training Expence	0 : 4 ″ 0 —
Capt Phinehas Stearns for Do	0 ″ 4 : 0
Lt Edward Harrington jur for Do	0 : 9 : 4

Capt Samll Fisk for Do	2 : 8 : 2 : 3
mr: John Draper for Bread at the Lexington Battle on ye 19 Day of April 1775 —	1 : 1 : 4 —
	£ 13 : 15 : 2 : 0

The above accounts were allowed at march Meeting

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At a Genl Publick Town-meeting of ye freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in Town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the publick meeting Houſe in Sd: Town on monday the 18th Day of march A. D. 1776 — for the Choice of Town officers & Transacting the other buſineſs as Setforth in the Warrant for Calling the meeting —
Voted & Choſe Samuel Fisk Esqr: for moderator of ye meeting
They they Voted & Choſe the following perſons to Serve in the Several offices hereafter mentioned (Viz)

Selectmen
- mr Saml: White
- Josiah Capen Esqr
- mr David Bemis
- mr David Sanger
- mr Elijah Bond

For Town-Clerk & Town-Treaſurer Jonathan Brown

For Aſseſsors
- Saml: Fisk Esqr
- Jona: Brown
- mr Moſes Stone

Constables miſsrs Simon Hastings & John Draper
Collectors miſr Simon Hastings & John Draper
Wardens miſsrs Ebenr: Everit & Moſes Coollidge —
Sealer of Leather Isaac Sanderſon
Fence-Viewers miſsrs Jonas White & Phinehas Child
Surveyors of High-ways miſsrs Elijah Bond & Josiah Capen
Tythingmen mr: Amos Bond & Major Samuel Barnard
Hogrieves miſsrs Stephen Harris & Thomas Coollidge
Surveyors of Timber &c miſsrs David Sanger & David Bemis
Howards miſsrs William Chenery & Jona. Coollidge Godding —
Clerks of the Markets miſsrs Saml. Cook jur & Amos Bond
Cullars of Hoops Staves &c miſsrs Samll. Cook & Seth Norcroſs
Then Voted & Choſe mr. Simon Hastings for Saxton and Granted him £ 3 : 10 : 0 for his Service

Voted & Chofe a Com^{tte} of Correspondance
- Saml: Fisk Esqr
- m^{r} Nathl Stone
- m^{r} Mofes Stone
- m^{r} Jedi^{h} Leathe
- m^{r} Richard Clark

Then a motion was made & Seconded that the meeting be adjourned to three of the Clock afternoon at the House [of] L^{t}. Thos Wellington which was accordingly don

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Monday afternoon The town being meet according to adjournment & the meeting being Opened

Chofe for a Com^{tte} to Examin ye Treaf^{r} acc^{tts}
- m^{r}: David Bemis
- Saml Fisk Esqr
- m^{r} Nathl Harrington

Then Voted to appropriate ye Interest money as it was last year (Viz) 6/8 to the School & the Remainder for ye miniftry —
Then Voted & Granted the further Sum of £ 40 pounds to be afseft to Support the miniftrey — — — —
Voted & Granted £ 100 pounds to Support the poor —
Voted & Granted £ 4 pounds to Repair the Great Bridge
Then Sundry accounts of perfons to whome the town is Indebted was Read & accepted and the Sum of £ 13 : 15 : 2 Granted to Sattisfy the Same See page (136)

Then they Voted that the £ 40 pounds Granted last year Should be worked out this year in the Same manner as was agreed upon ~
Then it was Voted that the meeting Should be adjourned till Fryday next at two of ye Clock afternoon at this place which was accordingly don ———

At a Genl: Town-Meeting on Fryday ye 22^{d} Day of March AD 1776 at the Houfe of L^{t}: Thomas Wellington by adjournment. The meeting being Opened — Several accounts were Read & accepted & the Sum of 13 : 15 : 2 was Granted to Sattisfie the Same See page ( )
Then the Com.^{tte} appointed last year to Improve ye miniferial place Reported that they had let out part of Said place the year past for £ 20 : 1 : 0 which was accepted

Then it was Voted that m^rs^ Storer have liberty to Improve part of the Houſe During the towns pleaſure —
Then Voted to Chooſe a Committe to take care of & Improve the miniſterial place ye enſueing ~

Voted & Choſe for Said Committe { m^r^: Simon Whitney
Major Saml Barnard
Lt Edwd: Harrington

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Then Voted to Chooſe a Committe with full power to give a Quit Claim Deed to Christopher Grant of a Town way which was agreed with him for ye last year

Voted & Choſe for S^d^: Committe { M^r^: Nathl. Stone
m^r^ Moſes Stone
m^r^ Elijah Bond

Voted that the Selectmen take care of ye Estate of m^r^: John Stearns for the Benefitt of the town — — — — —
Voted to Appropriate any Sums of money that Remain unappropriated to Discharge the towns Debts — — — — —
Put to vote whether Swine may Run at large this year it paſsed in the negative — — — — —
Then Voted to keep a Grammer School — — — — —
Then Voted & Granted £ 3 pounds to each of the Collectors provided they make up their whole accounts with ye Treaſurer within Six months after they Receive their lists, & also give Bond as usual — — — — —
Then Voted & Choſe m^r^: David Sanger Constable — — — — —
the the Votes were bro^t^ in for a County Register & Treaſurer —
The Buſineſs of ye Meeting being don it was Disolved —

March ye 1776 Jonathan Brown was Sworn to the faithfull Discharge of the offices of Town-Clerk Town-Treaſurer & aſseſsor by Abraham Fullar Jus^ts^. peace

The Several perſons hereafter Named were Sworn to the Several offices hereafter mentioned (Viz) —
Saml Fisk Esqr: & m^r^: Moſes Stone Aſseſsors ~
m^r^ John Draper Collector of Tax's. Eben^r^: Everit & Moſses Coollidge Wardens
m^r^ Phin^s^ Child Fence-Viewer
m^rs^ Elijah Bond & Josiah Capen Surveyors of Highways

m^{r} Amos Bond Tythingman
m^{r} Stephen Harris Hogrieve
m^{r} David Bemis Surveyor of Timber
mi^{srs} Saml Cook ju^{r} & Amos Bond Clerk of ye markents —
Before me Jon^{a}: Brown Just^{s}: peace

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may the 13^{the} Simon Hastings was Sworn to the office of Consta[ble]
by me Jon^{a} Brown Jus: peace

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At a meeting of the Selectmen at m^{r} Bezaleel Learned on the 29th Day of April Anno 1776
They ordered the Clerk to Issue out a warrant to Warn one Sarah Feſsenden out of town who came last from Newton or Cambridge in the month of march last past

They Signed an order on the town Treaſurer to pay m^{r}: John Hunt ju^{r} the Sum of £ 7 : 4 : 0 for keeping School three months

At a meeting of ye Selectmen on Monday the 13th Day of May AD: 1776 at the House of m^{r} Wellington ——
They having Received a precept from the Sheriff of the County Directing to aſsemble the Inhabitants to Chooſe a Repreſentative or Repreſentatives - They agreed to have a Town-Meeting on Monday the 20^{the} Day of this present month of May for the Choice of a Repreſentative or Repreſentatives to be at the publick Meeting Houſe at two of the Clock afternoon —
Also to have an other meeting at three of the Clock at the Same place on the Same Day to act on the following articles. (Viz)
First to Chooſe a moderator for Said meeting. (2^{ly}) To put in their Votes for a County Register (3) To Chooſe Town officers in the Room of Such as Refuſe to Serve. (4) To Determin whether any Schools Shall be kept and to act anything thereon as they See fitt (5) To hear any accounts that any perſons have against the town and grant money to pay the Same as they may think proper. ~ (6) To hear the Petition of Thomas Learned praying the town to allow him the Household Furniture of his Siſter Learned for the Reaſons Setforth in the petition. (7) To

hear the Report of the Committe appointed to Examin the town Treafurers accounts & to act there on as they See fitt

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(8) To act on all other matters & things that Properly ly before the town &c —
Warrants were Issued out accordingly Dated the next Day and Signed by order of ye Selectmen Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in the Choice of Representatives Regularly afsembled at the publick Meeting House in said town on Monday ye 20th Day of may AD 1776 — — — —
First the vote was put whether it is the minde of ye town to Choofe two persons to Represent the town in the Genll: Court this present year & it past in ye affeirmative.
Then the Votes were Called for & were brot: in Sorted and Counted & it appeared that Jonathan Brown Esqr: was Chofen. —— Then the votes were Called for one other perfon & were brot: in Counted & Sorted & it appeared that Samuel Fisk Esqr: was Chofen — — — —
Then a Refolve of the late House of Representatives Relating to the Congrefs of the thirteen united Colonies Declaring them Independant of Great-Britain - The Question was put to know ye minde of the town whether they will Stand by & Defend the Same with their lives and Estates & it past in the affeirmative unanimously.

At a meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly afsembled at the Publick meeting House in Sd Town on monday the 20th: Day of may AD: 1776 - To Transact Sundry town affairs as Setforth in ye warning
Voted & Chofe Samuel Fisk Esqr moderator of ye meeting
Then the votes were brot: in for a County Register —
Then ye third article was Read & past over for ye prefent —
Then ye 4 article was Read & after Debate thereon it was Voted to Grant money for Support of Schools —
Then they Voted to adjourn the meeting with the Remaining

buſineſs to Tuesday the 4 Day of June next at 3 o Clock afternoon at the House of m^{r} Wellington —

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may ye 20th. 1776 miſs^{rs} William Chenery & Jonathan Coollidge Godding were Sworn to the of office of Howards
by Jon^{a}: Brown Just^{s}: peace

At a meeting of y^{e} Selectmen at the House of m^{r}: Bez^{ll}: Learned on monday the 20th: Day of may AD 1776 —
They agreed with m^{r}: Jonathan Coollidge Godding to take and Board Ruth Maddox one month for which he is to have her Labour & 16/ Shillings p^{r}: Week=old-Tenor. ———

At a meeting of the Selectmen on Tuesday the 27th day of may at the House of m^{r}: Saml Wellington They Signed an order on the town Treaſurer to pay m^{r} Samuel Henſhaw ju^{r} The Sum of thirty pounds in full for his preaching in Watertown, and the Sum of £ 21 : 6 : 8 to m^{r}: John Eddy which with what m^{r} Capen paid him is in full for his Service in keeping School in Watertown also an other order to pay m^{r}: David Sanger ye Sum of £ 16 : 8 : 0 Shillings for what he has Supplyed James Hay with.—

At a Genl Publick Town-meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the House of m^{r} Sam^{ll}: Wellington on Tuesday ye 4th. Day of June AD: 1776. Saml: Fisk Esqr being moderator the meeting being upon an Adjournment —
The 4th: article being Read the Question was put whether their Should be any womens Schools kept this year and it past in the Negative —
Then it was put to vote Whether any School or Schools Should be kept this year & it past in ye affirmative

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Then it was Voted to Reconſider the vote for not keeping womens Schools, and Voted that five be kept for the Space of three months — — — —

Then Voted to Choofe a Committe of five perfons to take Care of and provide for Said Schools

Voted & Chofe for s^{d}: Com^{tte}
- m^{r}: Richard Clark
- m^{r}: David Coollidge
- L^{t}: Edwd: Harrington ju
- m^{r} Jedi^{h} Leathe
- m^{r}: Amos Livermore

Then D^{r}: Springs Account for medicine & attendance on the poor was Read & Considered & the Sum of £ 8 : 6 : 8 was Granted to pay the Same. ————
Then m^{r}: David Coollidge was Chofen a Fence-Viewer in the Room of m^{r} Jonas White who was Excufed — — — —
m^{r}: David Coollidge was Sworn to the faithfull Discharge of S^{d}: office & m^{r}: David Sanger to the office of Constable at the Same time by Jon^{a} B:rown Jus^{t}: Peace ——

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on Fryday ye 21^{ft} Day of June AD 1776 at the House of m^{r}: Samuel Wellington They agreed with m^{r}: Phinehas Child for a Room in the House where m^{r}: Samuel Nutting lately Dwelt for the use of m^{rs}: Hackleton the wife of John Hackleton it being the west lower Room for which he is to Receive of the town at the Rate of Thirty Six fhillings p^{r} year for the time She Improves the Same —
at this Meeting Major Samuel Barnard was Sworne to the office of Tythingman. —

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At a meeting of ye Selectmen on the Second Day of July AD 1776 They agreed to call a Publick Town-meeting to be held the Same Day at the Houfe of m^{r}: Saml Wellington at four of the Clock in the afternoon —
Fist to Choofe a moderator for the meeting —
(2) To agree upon Some Proper method for Raising Watertowns part of the five Thousand men ordered for the Defence of this Country. and to Grant a Sum of money to forward the affair. and to act thereon as as they See fitt - and ordered the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant Directed to one of the Constables to warn the freeholders & Inhabitants who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to meet at Said time & place. — which was accordingly don emediately & Signed By Order of the Selectmen

Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Publick town-meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the house of mr Samuel Wellington Innholder in sd. Town on the Second Day of July AD: 1776 For encourriaging ye Inliſting men for the Defence of the Country &c ————

Voted & Choſe mr: Samuel White moderator of ye meeting

Then Voted & Granted the Sum of Six pounds six ſhillings & eight pence to each perſon that Shall inlist into the Service for the town of Watertown for the preſent Service till Watertowns proportion is Compleated. —

Voted that the Sd: Sum be allowed to thoſe that inlist within two Days. — — — —

Voted that all thoſe perſons that are now out in the Service & thoſe that are going be Excuſed from paying a pole tax toward the above voted Bounty. ——

Voted that the Town-Treaſurer be impowered to hire the money to pay the Bounty untill Such time as the money Can be aſsest -

Voted that the aſseſsors be Deſired to aſseſs the Inhabitants of this town to Raiſe mony to pay this Bounty emediately in a Seperate list.

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Voted that the aſseſsors be Directed that where any perſons hold lands by lease or otherwise that they lay the tax on the Landlords. —

attest Saml White moderator

Then the meeting was adjourned to Fryday next at this place at 6 o Clock afternoon. —

At a Genl: Publick Town-meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly aſsembled on the 5 Day of July AD 1776 at mr Saml Wellingtons —

mr: Samuel White being moderator. The meeting being opened they proceeded to take into Consideration the affair mentioned in the warrant It was moved to allow the bounty Granted at the former meeting to Such as inlist on or before the fifteenth Day of this month which was Voted and allowed — Then it was

Voted to adjourn this meeting to the 15th Day of this month at Six of ye Clock afternoon at this place which was accordingly don —

On the fifteenth Day of the month the town being met according to adjournment—it was Voted that the bounty be allowed till the thirty men be inlisted as Required as Watertowns proportion of the five Thousand —
Then the meeting Difsolved ——

See the Declaration of Independance Recorded in the last Pages of this Book

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on monday the 23 Day of September AD 1776 at the Houfe of mr Samuel Wellington — They Agreed to Call a Publick Town-Meeting to be at the meeting-Houfe on monday the 30th day of this Inftant month of Sepr: at two of the Clock afternoon First to Choofe a Moderator for the Meeting (2) To Consider & agree upon Some Proper Steps to be taken for the Settling a minifter and to act thereon as they See meet (3) To Grant money to Support Schools and to act thereon as they they See best —
(4) For the town to agree upon Some Proper method for Raifing men for the Defence of the united States of America and to act any thing Relating thereto the town may think best. —
(5) For the town to Direct in what manner the Houfehold Furniture of Fanning Learned Deceafed Shall be Dispofed of —
(6) To hear the accounts of those perfons the town is Indebted to and grant money to pay ye same
(7) To Choofe a Perfon to take Acknowledgments of Debts &c and also to warn all the Male Inhabitants of the town that are free being twenty one years of age & upwards to afsemble at Said time & place to Consider and Determine whether they will give their Consent that the present House of Representatives with the Council Should agree upon a Form of Goverment for this State and to act thereon as they See best —
and the Clerk was Directed to Issue out warrants Directed to ye Constables to warn the Inhabitants to meet at Said time & place for sd Purpofes. which was accordingly don

By Jona: Brown Town. Cler

The following Accounts were brot in (Viz)

Thomas Pattin for wood for the School.	1 : 17 : 0
Simon Whitney for do ———	1 : 4 : 0
Samuel Soden for Do ———	1 : 7 : 0
	4 : 8 : 0

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At a Genl: Publick Town-Meeting held at the Publick meeting House in Watertown on monday the 30th Day of Sep^{r}: AD. 1776 to transact Sundry articles as Setforth in the warrants for the Meeting

Voted & Choſe Saml: Fisk Esqr: Moderator for ye meeting

Then the vote was put whether the town will proceed to Settle a miniſter as Soon as they Conveniently can and it Past in the afirmative — — — — —

Then they Voted to Chooſe a Committe to look out for and provide Such perſons as they think proper for trial — — — —

Voted & Choſe for Said Committe
- M^{r}: Nath^{ll} Stone
- Sam^{ll}: Fisk Esqr
- M^{r} Moſes Stone

Then it was put to vote whether the town will keep writting Schools this year and it past in ye affirmative

also Voted to keep a Grammer School Some part of ye year

Voted that the Schools be opened the first Day of Dec^{r}: next — —

Then the 4th article was Read and after Debate thereon it was Voted to Chooſe a Committee to Consider thereon and Report what way they think will be best for the town to proceed in Raiſing men for the Defence of america for the Futer & make Report at the adjou^{t}:

Voted & Choſe for S^{d}: Committe
- m^{r}: Saml: White
- Mr David Bemis
- m^{r} Josiah Capen
- m^{r} David Sanger
- m^{r} Moſes Stone

Then the meeting was adjourned to monday next at two of ye Clock afternoon at this place —

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At a Genl Publick town Meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at the Meeting House in Said Town on the 7th Day of Oct^{r}: A D1776 By Adjournment Saml Fisk Esqr being moderator

Voted that two writting Schools be kept three months — — —

Voted & Granted the Sum of £ 60 pounds for the Support of the Schools the firewood Included

Voted that the first month the Schools be kept once a Day & the other two months twice a Day
Voted & Chofe m^{r}: Jonas White for one of ye School Committe — — — —
Then the town took into Consideration a Refolve of the Gen^{ll} Court of the 17th of September last Relating to a Form of Goverment and after Debate thereon — They voted unanimously that they give their Consent that the present Houfe of Reprefentatives with the Council Should Form a plan of Goverment for this State to be laid before the Several towns in the Same for their Consideration before it be Ratified ——
Then they voted to adjourn this meeting with the Remaining bufinefs to the first monday in Nov^{r}: next at two of the Clock afternoon to be at the House of m^{r} Samuel Wellington Innholder in this town which was accordingly don ————

At a Publick Town Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly afsem l^{d} on the 4th Day of Nov^{r}: 1776. By adjournment at the Houfe of m^{r} Saml: Wellington — Sam^{ll}: Fisk being moderator ————

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The meeting being Opened There being but a few perfons prefent it was moved to adjourn the meeting to this day three weeks to be held at the meeting House at two of the Clock afternoon and it was accordingly adjourned to finifh the Remaining bufinefs ————

At a Gen^{ll}: Publick Town-Meeting held at the Publick Meeting Houfe in Watertown on the 25th of Nov^{r}: 1776 by adjournment Saml: Fisk Esqr: being moderator. —— The Committe appointed to Confider the matter Relating to Raising men for the Defence of the Country made Verball Report that they had not don any thing on the affair ———
Thn it was Voted not to act any thing on that article. —— Then it was Voted to adjourn the meeting to Six of the Clock this Evening to meet at the Houfe of m^{r}: Saml: Wellington. — The town being meet. They Proceeded to the Sixth article. Then m^{r}: Josiah Capens account was Read & accepted and the Sum of £ 1 : 18 : 6 was Granted to pay ye Same
Voted & allowed m^{r}: David Bemis account & Granted the Sum £ 0 : 17 : 9 to pay the Same ————

Then the account of Saml: Fisk Esqr: was Read & Voted that the Selectmen Examin the Same & allow what they think is Right. — Then they voted & Chofe John Remington Esqr: to take the Confefsion of Debts &c ———
Then the meeting was Difolved ————

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of m^{r} Samuel Wellington on the 4th Day of march AD 1777. They agreed to have a Publick town-meeting on the tenth day of this present month of march at nine of the Clock in forenoon at the Publick meeting House & Directed the Clerk to Issue out warrants Directed to the Several Constables to warn all the freeholders & other Inhabitants who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to afsemble at Said time & place to act on the following articles (Viz) First to Choofe a moderator for the meeting ————
(2) To Choofe Selectmen Town-Clerk & Treafurer & all other town officers that are Required to be Chofe in the month of march annually. (3) To know the minde of the town whether they will come into Some method to proportion the Charge that has already been by hireing men to go into the Service. and to act any thing thereon as they think proper ~
(4) To know the minde of the town what method they will take to Raife Watertowns proportion of men to Compleat the Continential Army, and to act thereon as they think proper (5) to Choofe a Committe of Correfpondance &c agreable to a Refolve of the General Court. (6) To Choofe a Saxton & agree how he Shall be paid for his Service (7) to put in their Votes for a County Register & Treafurer (8) To appropriate the Int^{t}: money coming to the town the present year ————————
(9) To Choofe a Committe to Examin the town Treafures acc^{tts}
(10) To grant money to Support the miniftery ye year Enfueing
(11) To grant money to Support the poor the year Eufueing —
(12) To grant money to Support the Repairs of the Great Bridg
(13) To Hear the accounts of thofe perfons the town is Indebted to & grant money to pay the Same ——
(14) To Grant money to Repair the Highways and Town-ways the enfueing year and to act any thing Relating thereto $^{as}_{\wedge}$ the town think Proper ——

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(15) To Hear the pleas of any late Constables for abating any Perticular perſons Rates in their lists, and to act thereon as they think best. —— (16) To Hear the Report of Committe that was Appointed to Improve the miniſterial place the last year, and Determin how it Shall be Improved the year enſueing (17) To know how the Estate of John Stearnes Shall be Improved the year enſueing and to act thereon as they think best, (18) To appropriate any Sum or Sums of money unappropriated as the town may think best ————(19) To Determin whether Swine Shall Run at large the enſueing year — — — — — — — — — — — (20) To grant money to Support the Grammer School & other Schools that may be agreed upon and act any thing thereon as they think Proper ——— And Likewiſe to notify the town Creditors to bring in their accounts to the Selectmen at the Houſe of mr Bezaleel Learned on Fryday the Seventh day of this present month of march at two of the Clock afternoon ——
Warrants were Issued out accordingly & Signed
By order of ye Selectmen Jona Brown Town-Clerk

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Fryday the Seventh day of March AD 1777 at the House of mr: Bezaleel Learned for Receiving the accounts of those perſons the town is Indebted the Following accounts were brot: in (Viz)

To Samuel Fisk Esqr for entertainment for Preachers from Novr: the 20th. 1774 to march ye 2d. 1777 ————	14 : 1 : 2
To Elijah Bond for his wives keeping School last year	5 : 4 : 0
To Moſes Hager for Hay for Docr Cooper ———	1 : 4 : 0
To John Hunt for keeping School ————	6 : 0 : 0

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And the following accounts were brot in for Charge for the poor (Viz)

David Bemis for Supplys from the 15 day of march 1776 to the 7th: of march 1777	7 : 7 : 5 : 1
Saml: White for do: from July 10. 1776 to march 7th. 1777	9 : 0 : 1 : 1
Elijah Bond do: march. 1776 to march 7th. 1777	3 : 5 : 7 : 0
David Sanger for do for the wido murch	0 " 18 —
Amos Livermore for Board &c for Ruth Maddox	3 : 13 : 2 : 2

Sarah Godding Boarding Mary Learned s Child from march ye 14. 1776 to march ye 5th. 1777	8 : 14 : 0 —
Thos Learned for Boarding Aaron Learned from march ye 15. 1776 to march the 12th 1777	3 : 4 : 6
William Chenery for Boarding & Nurſing Mary Learned s Child from march 15th. 1776 to march 7. 1777	10 : 1 : 4
Simon Hastings to Diging the Graves for ye wid^o Abigail Learned & Tabitha Learned	0 : 9 : 0
Phinehas Child for eight & a half months house Rent for m^rs Hackleton	1 : 5 : 6
wid^o Hannah Harris for Delivering Mary Learned	0 " 6 : 0
	48 : 4 : 8 : 0

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Proceedings of the School Committe for the Town of Watertown 1777. - - -

At a Meeting at Mr Richardſons June ye 18th Agreed to open five womens Schools & Employ the following perſons (Viz) M^rs: Dorothy Brewer to keep School her Houſe 13 weeks @ eight Shillings P^r week - - - - - - -

m^rs Suſanna Shed to keep a School in the west School-House 15 weeks & 4 days @ Six ſhillings and eight pence P^r week — 5 : 4 : 2

m^r Elijah Bonds wife to keep a School in his House 13 weeks @ eight Shillings p^r week — 5 : 4 : 0

m^r Andrew Whites wife to keep a School in his His house 13 weeks @ eight Shillings p^r week — — 5 : 4 : 0

and with m^rs: Lydia Anderſon to keep a School in the east School House 15 weeks @ Six ſhillings and eight pence p^r: week ———————— 5 : 4 : 2

20 : 16 : 4

At a Meeting at m^rs: Coollidges December ye Sixth 1777. Agreed with m^r: John Stratton to keep a School in the East School House three months at four pounds p^r month - 12 : 0 : 0

and with m^{r}: Josiah Bisco to keep a School in the west School. House three months @ Four pounds ten ſhillings &/8 ✓ p^{r} month — — — — 13 : 12 : 0
and with m^{r}: John Remington ju^{r} to keep the Grammer School one month for four Pounds 4 : 0 : 0

50 : 8 : 4

and accordingly the Schools were opened the 23^{d} Day of December — — —

Jed^{h}; Leathe Pr Order ~

The Committe also bro^{t} in an account for wood provided for the School amounting to — — — 6 : *

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At a Genl Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of who are Quallified to Vote in Town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the meeting-House in s^{d} Town on monday the tenth Day of march AD. 1777. for the Choice of Town officers & other affairs as Setforth in the Warrant for S^{d}: meeting ——
Voted and Choſe M^{r}: Nathl: Stone for Moderator

For Selectmen
- John Remington Esqr:
- m^{r}: Saml: Soden
- M^{r}: Elijah Bond
- m^{r} Nathan Coollidge
- m^{r} Jedidiah Leathe

N B Meſs^{rs}: Saml: White, Richard Clark & David Sanger were Choſen & at their Request were Excuſed —
Town-Clerk & Town-Treaſurer Jonathan Brown

Voted & Chose for aſseſsors ———
- Jon^{a}: Brown
- Saml: Fisk Esqr
- m^{r}: Josiah Bisco

For Constables & Collectors Meſs^{rs}: Chris^{r} Grant ju^{r} & Amos Bond
Wardens Meſs^{rs} Edm^{d}: Fowle & William Hunt
Sealer of Leather Stephen Whitney ————
Fence-Viewers Josiah Capen Esqr & m^{r}: W^{m}. Hunt
Surveyors of High-ways Meſs^{rs}. Amos Livermore and John Draper ——
Tythingmen Meſ^{rs} David Coollidge & Jon^{a} Child ——
Hogrieves Meſ^{rs} Wm Hunt & John Draper ———

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Surveyors of Timber &c. Mesrs David Sanger & David Bemis
Howards Phins Child & Abraham Whitney ———
Clerks of the markets mefr Amos Bond & John Hunt
Cullars of Hoops Staves &c Seth Norcros ———
afternoon being meet

Voted & Chose Comtte of Correspondance
- mr: Richd Clark
- mr Josiah Capen
- mr Edwd: Richardson
- mr David Sanger
- mr Stephen Harris

Then the Votes were put in for a County Treasr & Register Chose for Saxton mr Simon Hastings & granted the Sum of £ 3 pounds for his Service

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Then the 3d article was Read & after Debate thereon it was Voted that the town will beare the whole Charge of the war in Equal proportion as They pay other Tax's
Voted to Choose a Committe to bring in an account of what has already arisen &c

Voted & Chose for sd: Committee —
- Majr Saml: Barnard
- Capt Phins Stearns
- Clerk Nathan Coollidge
- mr David Bemis
- mr David Sanger
- Lt: Josiah Capen jur
- mr Elijah Bond

Voted that ye Committee bring in a perticular account what each man has don ———————————————
Then the 4th article being Read after Debate thereon ~
Voted to Choose a Committe to procure men at ye Expence of the Town ———————————————
Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee for sd: purpose — —
Voted & added mr: Simon Whitney — — Lt: Chisr: Grant jur
Voted that ye Committee give £ 24 pounds Pr man - if they Cannot be had for less & have Power to hire money for yt Purpose in the name & behalf of the Town ———————
Then they Voted and adjourned the meeting to this day week to meet at this place at one of the Clock afternoon

Middleſex ſs Watertown March ye 10th: 1777 ———
Then the perſons afternamed appeared & were Sworn to the faithfull Discharge of the Several offices to which they were Chosen (Viz) Chris^r Grant ju^r & Amos Bond Constables, Amos Livermore, & John Draper Surveyors of Highways, — David Coollidge & Jon^a: Child Tythingmen alson John Draper Hogrieve, and Phin^s Child Howard, and Amos Bond Clerk of the market ———

Before me Jon^a: Brown Just^t: Peace

March ye 17th. 1777 the following perſons were Sworn into ye offices hereafter mentioned (Viz) Saml: Fisk Esqr: & m^r Josiah Bisco aſseſsors m^r Stephen Whitney Sealer of Leather —— miſs^rs Josiah Capen and Wm Hunt Fence Viewers Wm Hunt Hogrieve — miſs^rs: Dav[id] Sanger & David Bemas Surveyors of Timber &c —— Mr John * Clerk of ye market ——

Before Jon^a: Brown J[ust: Peace]

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown held at the Meeting Houſe on monday ye 17th Day of march AD 1777 ——
By Adjournment m^r: Nathl Stone being moderator
John Remington Esqr: Reſigned the office of Selectman
Then m^r Simon Whitney was Choſen who Refused to Serve
Then m^r John Cook was Choſen a Selectman —
Then the Com^tte appointed to Consider what Services perſons have don in the war & made Report ———
Their Report being Read after Debate thereon
Voted to Recommit the Report & add four more to the Committe.
Voted & Choſe meſs^rs: Saml: White, Daniel Sawin, Saml: Fisk Esqr: & m^r Wm Hunt ——
Then m^r: Edward Richardſon Excuſed himſelf from Serving on the Committe of Correspondance and m^r: David Coollidge was Chosen in his Room

Choſe for a Com^tte to Examin ye Trea^rs acc^tts: { Saml: Fisk Esqr, m^r Wm Hunt, m^r Saml White }

Voted to appropriate the Interest money coming to the town a

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it was last year (Viz) 6/8 to the miniſtery & the Remainder to the Grammer School — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
Voted & Granted 40 pounds to be aſsest for the Support of the miniſtery for the year enſueing ————
Voted & Granted £ 6 pounds to Repair the great Bridge
Voted & Granted £ 3 pounds to each of the Collectors upon the Same Conditions as it was the last year ————
Then the Vote was put whether Swine Shall Run at Learge & it past in the negative ————
Then Voted that the meeting be adjourned to monday the 31 Day of this present month at 2 O: Clock at this place

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At a meeting of ye Selectmen on monday ye 17th day of march AD 1777. at m^r^: Bez^ll^: Learneds — They Agreed with m^r^: Elijah Bond to take Mary Learned for three months at the Rate of 7/6 P^r^ week She to have the Benefitt of her Labour. ———— and with m^r^: Samuel Soden to take Mary Learneds Child three months at the Rate of 3/6 p^r^: week ——— and with m^r^: Thomas Coollidge to take Ruth Maddox for three months at the Rate of p^r^ week he to have her Labour

At a Publick Town-Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the publick meeting House in Said town on monday the 31th Day of march AD 1777 - By adjournment m^r^: Nath^ll^ Stone being Moderator ——— The meeting opened The 14th article being Read it was Voted that ye Surveyors of the Highways work out the Remainder of the last years grant in the highways at the price it was the last year ———— 15th Article was Read and no abatements of Rates made ———
Then the Report of the Committe appointed to take care of the miniſterial place the last year was Read and it appeared that a Ballance of £ 25=0 : 8 Remained in the hands of the Com^the^ Still due to the town which was Voted and accepted —
Then Voted to Chooſe a Committe to take care of Said place for the year enſueing —

Voted & Choſe for Said Committe —— { m^r^: Saml White
m^r^ David Sanger—
m^r^ Simon Whitney }

Voted that s^{d}: Committe Repair the Barn & fences on the miniſterial place as they think needfull and pay for the Same out of the money coming for Rent last year ————

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Voted that the Selectmen take care of and Improve the Estate that was m^{r}: John Stearn's as usual. ————
20 article Read and the Town Voted that one School Should be kept the whole year. ————

Voted & Choſe for a Com^{tte} to take care of & provide for the School ———— { Saml: Fisk Esqr: m^{r} David Bemis m^{r} Saml White

Voted that the Committe may employ either a Lattin or Engliſh School-master as they think best ————
Voted y^{t} the School be kept Some part of the time in each of the three School Houſes —— ————
Mr John Cook Excuſed himſelf from Serving a Selectman and Major Samuel Barnard was Choſen in his Room
Then the Report of ye Com^{tte} appointed to Consider what Services each perſon has don for the town the present war was Read & was Voted & accepted and is as follows (Viz)

Watertown 20th of march 1777 ————

The Com^{tte}: Appointed by the Town to take into Consideration the Services don for the town in the present war, and what each Soldier Shall be allow'd for their Reſpective Services, Excluſive of the pay from the Continent or State beg leave to Report as follows (Viz) ————

(1) That there be paid by the town to each non-Commiſsion officer & Soldier that engaged in the Service for eight months in 1775 the Sum of £ 2 pounds each ye N° 35 is £ 70 : 0 : 0

(2) That there be paid by the town to each non-Commiſsion officer & Soldier that march^{d} from Cambridge to New-York & from thence to Canada twenty pounds each 19 in Number } 380 : 0 : 0

(3) That there be paid by the town to each Non-Commiſsion officer & Soldier that march'd to New-York & engaged in the Service one year £ 10 each being four in Number } 40 : 0 : 0

Carried forward £ 490 : 0 : 0

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Bro^{t}: forward - -	490 : 0 : 0
(4^{ly}) That there be paid by the town to each non-Commiſsion officer and Soldier that engaged for one year & marched for Ticonderoga in aug^{t}: 1776 £6 each Number being 6 is	36 : 0 : 0
(5^{ly}) That there be paid by the town to each non-Commiſsion officer and Soldier that engaged in the Service in July 1776 for five months Excluſive of those ^{yt} were hired £ 5 each ye Number being 5 is	25 : 0 : 0
(6) That there be paid by the town to each non-Commiſsion officer and Soldier, that engaged in the Service for two months and marched for New-York Oct^{r}: 1776 £ 5 each (excluſive of those that were hired) being 9 in number is	45 : 0 : 0
(7) That there be paid by the town to each non-Commiſsion officer and Soldier that engaged in the Service for three months and marched to New-York in Dec^{r}: 1776. Excluſive of thoſe that were hired £ 8 one only went — — — — —	8 : 0 : 0
	£ 604 : 0 : 0

(8) That there be paid by the town to the following Perſons the Reſpective Sums affixed against their names, being money Expended by them for the benifet of the present War (Viz)

To Cash paid by David Stone — — — — — — —	6 " 13 : 4
To D^{o}— by John Draper — — — — — — —	6 " 13 : 4
To D^{o} by Richard Everitt — — — — — — —	6 " 13 : 4
To D^{o} by Saml White — — — — — — — — —	7 " 13 : 4
To D^{o} by Simon Whitney — — — — — — —	7 " 13 " 4
To D^{o} by William Leathe — — — — — — — —	6 " 13 " 4
To D^{o} by Nathaniel Bright — — — — — — —	6 " 13 " 4
To D^{o} by Ezekiel Hall — — — — — — — —	7 " 0 " 0
To D^{o} by Moſes Coollidge — — — — — — —	6 " 13 " 4
To D^{o} by Nathaniel Bemis — — — — — — —	6 " 13 " 4
To D^{o} by Joel White — — — — — — — — —	6 " 13 " 4
To D^{o} by Samuel Soden — — — — — — — —	7 " 5 : 4
To D^{o} by Elijah Bond — — — — — — — —	4 " 6 : 8
To Do^{o} by Josiah Capen — — — — — — — —	6 : 13 : 4

To D° by Samuel Barnard — — — — — — — —	7 : 13 : *
To D° by Moſes Stone — — — — — — — —	7 : 5 : *
To D° by Jonas White no bounty rec^d from ye Town	3 : *
Carried over	£ 11[2 : 15:4]

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bro^t: over ———	112 : 15 : 4
To Cash paid by John Stimson — — — — — —	6 " 13 " 4
To D° by Stephen Whitney — — — — — — —	3 " 0 : 8
To D° by Simon Hastings — — — — — — — —	6 : 13 : 4
To D° by Daniel Whitney — — — — — — —	7 : 5 : 4
To D° by Nathaniel Co°llidge — — — — — —	7 : 5 : 4
To D° by Amos Bond — — — — — — — — —	6 " 13 : 4
To D° by Joſiah Norcroſs — — — — — — —	6 " 13 : 4
To D° by Thomas Clark — — — — — — — —	7 : 5 : 4
To D° by Thomas Harrington — — — — — —	6 " 13 : 4
To D° by John Cook — — — — — — — — —	6 " 13 " 4
To D° by Bezaleel Learned — — — — — — —	6 " 13 " 4
To D° by Thomas Pattin — — — — — — — —	10 " 13 : 4
To D° by Phinehas Stearnes — — — — — — —	7 " 5 " 4
To D° by Samuel Hager — — — — — — — —	11 " 0 : 0
To D° by Samuel Benjamin — — — — — — —	6 " 0 : 0
To D° by Edmund Fowle — — — — — — — —	4 " 18 : 0
To D° by Jonathan Child — — — — — — —	4 : 17 : 4
To D° by Eires Tainter — — — — — — — —	4 " 13 : 4
To D° by Peter Harrington — — — — — — —	4 : 0 : 0
To D° by Elkanah Wales — — — — — — —	10 : 0 : 0
To D° by Oliver m^n Roe — — — — — — — —	7 " 10 : 0
To D° by Eliſha Learned — — — — — — — —	10 : 0 : 0
To D° by Ephraim Jones — — — — — — — —	4 : 0 : 0
To D° by Samuel Nutting ———	10 : 0 : 0
To D° by Amos Livermore — — — — — — —	8 " 6 : 0
To D° by Samuel Fisk Esqr ———	7 : 0 : 0
To D° by Jonathan Brown Esqr ——	10 : 12 : 0
To D° by David Bemis ———	11 : 0 : 0
To D° by William Cookran — — — — — — —	10 : 0 : 0
To D° by John Cookson — — — — — — — —	10 : 0 : 0
To D° by Marſhall Spring — — — — — — —	10 : 0 : 0
To D° by Eben^r Stedſon — — — — — — — —	10 : 0 : 0

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To D° by Samuel Cook — — — — — — — —	10 : 0 : 0
To D° by Nathaniel Harrington — — — —	10 : 0 : 0
To D° by Samuel Whitney ———	10 : 0 : 0
To D° by Christopher Grant — — — — — — —	10 : 0 : 0
To D° by Solomon Prentice — — — — — — —	10 : 0 : 0
Carried up	406 : 0 : 8

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bro^{t} up — — — — — —	406 : 0 : 8
To Cash paid by Isaac Sanderſon — — — —	10 : 0 : 0
To D° by Ebenezer Stone — — — — — — — —	10 : 0 : 0
To D° by Nathaniel Stone — — — — — — —	8 : 12 : 0
To D° by Phinehas Harrington ———	9 : 0 : 0
To D° by David Sanger — — — — — — — —	8 : 6 : 8
To D° by John Chenery ———	10 : 0 : 0
To D° by Richard Clark ———	3 : 6 : 8
To D° by Daniel Sawin ———	0 : 6 : 0
	£ 465 : 12 : 0

The within Report is Submitted to the town by their Said Committe

Sam^{ll} Barnard Pr Order

Then the Question was Put whether that Deceaſ^{d} Soldiers &c Taxes Should be Stoped out of their allowance it past in the affirmative ———
and the meeting was Diſsolved ——

At a meeting of ye Selectmen at m^{r} Bez^{ll} Learneds on the third day of April AD 1777. They agreed with m^{r} John Cook to take care of the Great Bridge the year enſueing ———

At a meeting of the Selectmen on the 25 Day of April AD 1777 at the House of m^{r} Sam^{ll}: Wellington They agreed to Call a Publick Town-meeting to be at the meeting House on monday the 28th day of this present month at 4 O: Clock afternoon to Chooſe a moderator for the meeting & (2) To agree upon Some method to Raiſe Seven men to go & march to the State of Rhod-Island agreabled to an order of the General Court ———

and ordered the Clerk to Issue out warrants for that Purpoſe which was accordingly done

By Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Cle[rk]

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At a Publick Town meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in Town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick meeting House on monday the 28th Day of April AD 1777. ————————

Voted & Choſe m^{r}: Nathl Stone moderator of ye meeting

Then the article Relating to Raiſing Seven men to join the army at providence was Read and after Debate thereon — The town Voted to Chooſe a Committe of Seven perſons to procure s^{d} men on as eaſie termes as they can ————————

Voted & Choſe for S^{d}: Com^{tte}
- m^{r}: Moſes Stone
- Capt: Phin^{s} Stearnes
- Maj^{r} Saml: Barnard
- L^{t}. Josiah Capen
- m^{r} Stephen Harris
- m^{r} Jonas White
- m^{r} Nathan Coollidge

Then Voted that the Said Com^{tte} Shall have power in the name & Behalf of the Town to hire money to pay the men they may hire to go into S^{d}: Service

At a meeting of the Selectmen on monday the 12th day of may AD 1777. at the House of m^{r} Saml: Wellington They agreed to have a Toun meeting on monday ye 19th Day of this present month of may at the Meeting house at two O Clock afternoon to Chooſe one or more Perſons to Serve as Representatives in the General Court the enſueing year. — and also to have an other Toun Meeting at the Same place at 3 O Clock the Same day to act on the town affairs hereafter mentioned (Viz)

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First to Chooſe a moderator for the meeting ————

(2^{ly}) To act on the Several articles in the warning for march meeting which were Refered over to this meeting (Viz)

the making Grants for the Poor & Schools & for Town Creditors

and abating Tax's & Such other matters as were not then acted upon - (3ly) To Choofe any Town officers in the Room of Such as have Refused or Neglected to take the Oaths Required by Law ——— (4ly) To give Directions to the Committe appointed to take care of the Miniſterial Place and Determin how it Shall be Improved the present year. — (5ly) To make Grants of any Sums of money if Need be for past Services in the present war, and for further Services's and do any thing thereon as the town may think Proper — (6)ly To Choofe any Committee or Committees Required to be Chofe to See to the putting any laws of this State into Execution — (7ly) To hear any Reports of Committees that have been Appointed for Perticular Services and to act anything thereon as The town may See fitt. ——— ———
(8ly) To know the minde of the Town whether they will allow one or more Hospitals for Enoc lating for the Small-pox. ———
(9ly) To know the minde of the town whether they will Erect a New-pound or Repair ye old one and do anything thereon as they See fitt. ——— (10ly) To know the minde of the town whether the persons the town purpofe to allow any Sums of money to for past Services Shall Exhibit their accounts under oath and to act thereon as they See fitt ———
The Town-Clerk was Directed to Issue out warrants Directed to the the Several Constables to warn the Inhabitants to meet at the times and place aforementioned

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Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative Regularly aſsembled at the Publick meeting Houſe in sd Town on Monday the 19th Day of May AD 1777. ———
They made Choice of Jonathan Brown Esqr: to Serve for & Represent the Town in the Great and General Court the enſueing year ———

At a Genll: Publick Town-meeting of ye freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting Houſe in Said Town on Monday the 19th Day of may AD: 1777: for

Transacting Several affairs as Setforth in the warning of the meeting
They Voted & Chofe m^{r}: Nathl: Stone moderator of ye meeting
Then they Proceeded on the (4th) article & Voted that the Committe be Directed to Improve the minifterial place the present year in the Best manner they Can for the Benefitt of the town ~ the 8th article being Read but no vote was obtained for Liberty of any Hospital — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
(9) article Read and Voted that the Selectmen Repair the pound for the present ————————
(10) article Read & Voted that the Several perfons that are to be allow'd money for their past Services in ye war Should Exhibit their accounts upon oath
Then Voted that the meeting with the Remaining businefs be adjourned to ye Second monday in June Next at two O:Clock afternoon in this place ————

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At a meeting of the Selectmen on the 30th Day of may AD 1777. They Agreed with m^{r} Mofes Coollidge to finde the widow Hackleton House Room three months for which he is to have Eighteen Shillings ————

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly afsembled at the Publick meeting House in Said Town on monday the Ninth day of June AD 1777 ——— By adjournment ———
Mr Nathl: Stone being moderator ————————
They Voted & Granted the Sum of £ 100 pounds to Support the Poor the present year ———
Voted & Granted to Support the School £ 50 pounds ————
Then the accounts of the Several perfons were Read & allow'd which are as follows (Viz) ————————

To Saml: Fisk Esqr for Serving afsefsor — — —	1″ 4″0
To Mofes Stone for d^{o} — — — — — — — — — —	1″ 4″0
To Jonathan Brown for d^{o} & Treafurer — — —	3″17″4
	6 : 5 :4

To Jon[a] Brown for Service in the General Court and provincial Congreſs — — — — —	12 : 0 : 0
to Sam[l] Fisk Esq[r]: for Service in Congreſs — —	5 : 0 : 0
to John Remington for d° — — — — — — — — —	4 : 5 : 0
to m[r] Jonas White on account — — — — — — —	0 : 12 : 0
to m[r] Josiah Capen on d° — — — — — — — —	0 : 12 : 0
Voted & Granted the Said Sums ammounting [to]	28 : 14 : 4

to pay the Same —— Then Voted that the Selectmen Settle the account of the wid° Eunice Coollidge ————

Then they Voted and abated the following Rates in the late Constables lists (Viz) in Joseph Coollidges

Stephen Greeleafs for 1772 — — —	0″ 15 : 3 : 3
Sam[l] Jeniſons for D° ————	1″ 17 : 8 —
W[m] Godding for 1772 & 1773 — —	0″ 13 : 9 : 0
Jonathan Learneds for 1774 — —	0″ 2 : 1 : 2
John Crane for D° — — — — — —	0 : 6 : 0 —
Eben[r]: Hovey for D° ————	0″ 10″ 10 —
	5″ 5 : 8 : 1

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In David Sangers lists for 1773 Phin[s] Gates	0 : 11 : 6 : ——
1774 Tho[s] Drapers — — —	0″ 10 : 0 ——
Jonathan Brewers — — —	1″ 1 : 2 ——
	2 : 10 : 8

and Granted the Several Sums to make it good ————————————

Then the account of the Committe appointed to hire Seven men for Soldiers to go to providence was Read amounting the Sum of 35 pounds and it was Voted that the former Committe that were appointed to hire men Should pay Said 35 pounds with the money which is in their Hands.—

Then Voted that the meeting be adjourned to the 23[d] Day of this month to meet at this place at two of y[e] Clock afternoon ——— which was accordingly done — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

At a Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly aſsembled at the publick Meeting House in S[d]: Town on Monday the 23[d] Day of June AD 1777. By adjournment — — — — M[r]: Nathaniel Stone being moderator — — —

The (6) article being Read. Then the following perſons were Choſen to put the Act against —— monopoly & oppreſsion into Execution Viz
Meſs^{rs}: David Bemis, Simon Whitney, Jedidi^{h}: Leathe Jonas White & Moſes Stone, ————————————
Then the Votes were Called for for a perſon to procure & lay Before the Court of Special Seſsions Such Evidance as may be had against any perſons that are inimical to the american States which being bro^{t}: in it appeared that John Remington$^{Esq^{r}}$ was Choſen ————
The wid^{o} Eunice Coollidges two accounts as allowed by y^{e} Select-

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men [we]re accepted (Viz) the first amounting to	11 : 12 : 0
Then the Second to — — — —	27 : 4 : 6
	38 : 16 : 6

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Then they Voted & Granted the Sum of £ 1183 : 0 : 10 pence to be Raiſed by a Tax. to be paid to the Several perſons or their Legal Representatives, that have done Services in the present war, and that have Advanced moneys for the Support of the Same, The perſons first making Oath to the payment of the Value affixed to their Several names, or produce proper Receipts from the officer or officers to whome they paid the Same, Agreable to the Report of the Committe Choſen by the town to Consider S^{d}: Services. —
Then Voted the above mentioned Sum be aſseſsed as Soon as Conveniantly may be in a list by it Self ————
Then the meeting was Diſsolved ————
at the aforementioned meeting Meſs^{rs}: Jonas White and Thomas Learned were added to the Com^{tte} of Corroſpondance
At a meeting of the Selectmen at the House of m^{r}: Bez^{ll}- Learned on monday the 23^{d} Day of June AD 1777. ————
They Agreed with m^{rs}: Jeniſon the wife of Wm Jeniſon to take and Board Ruth Maddox three months at the Rate of 5/3 P^{r} week. ————————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Wednesday the 9th Day of July AD: 1777. at the House of m^{r}: Samuel Wellington ———
They Signed an order on the treaſurer to pay the Sum of Fifty pounds one ſhilling & Ten pence to the perſons here after-Named the Several Sums affixed to his Name (Viz) — — ————

To Dorothy Brewer — — — —	5 : 4 : 2
To Sufanna Sheed — — — — —	5″ 4″ 2
To Elijah Bond — — — — — —	5″ 4″ 2
To Andrew White — — — — —	5″ 4″ 2
To Lydia Anderfon — — — —	5″ 4″ 2
To John Remington ju^{r} — — —	4″ 0″ 0
To Josiah Bisco — — — — — —	13″ 12″ 0
To Jed^{h} Leathe for wood for the School — — — —	6″ 9″ 0
	£ 50″ 1″ 10

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We the Subscribers being Appointed a Committe to Perambulate the lines between this & the Neighbouring Towns have attended that Service and have Renewed the Several Marks as Agreed to by the Committees of the other towns.

Saml: Soden
Jed^{h}: Leathe
Nathan Coollidge
Samuel Barnard
} Com^{tte}: —

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen of ye Selectmen of Watertown Weston. & Waltham on ye 8th Day of Sep^{r}: AD. 1777 at the House of Capt: Isaac Gleason Inn-holder in Waltham the acc^{tts} of the Charge that has Arifen for the Repairs of the Great Bridge In Watertown Since the 18th Day of Sep^{r}: AD 1774. which amounted to the Sum of £ 25 : 11 : 8 were proportioned and Signed by the Selectmen of each town of which Watertown part or proportion was — 9″ 2 : 9

Westons D^{o}: was ———	8″ 7 : 7
Walthams D^{o} was ———	8″ 1″ 4
	£ 25″ 11 : 8

See the Settlement Ent^{d}: at Large in the Second Book in the Treafury

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of m^{r}: Edward Richardfon on Fryday ye 12th day of Sep^{r}: AD. 1777. They approved of Mefs^{r}: Edward Richardfons Samuel Wellingtons and m^{rs}: Dorothy Coollidges Renewing their licences as Inn-

holders and mefs^{rs}: Saml: Cook, Amos Bond, David Bemis ju^{r}: Mofes Coollidge & Abner Craft as Retailors — — — — — — at this meeting m^{r}: John Chenery gave in a Notification of his Receiveing into his Houfe one John Larrabee & Martha his wife and their two Children (Viz) Thomas & Sarah who came last from Boston about the first Day of December 1775. being of the Poor of Boston ————

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 20th Day of October anno: Domini 1777 - m^{r}: David Sanger brought in an account of his Expences for the Support of the poor last year ammounting to the Sum of twenty pounds & ten pence — —

	20 : 0 : 10
and also bro^{t}: in an account of ye things that were Sold that belonged to the widows Abigail and Tabitha Learned ammounting to ye Sum of — —	18 : 1 : 8
	1 " 19 : 2
also bro^{t}: in an account for Expence in Selling the Said goods of Seventeen Shillings — — — — —	0 : 17 : 0
and then a Ballance was due to S^{d}: Sanger of	£ 2 : 16 : 2

which the Selectmen Signed an order on ye Treafurer to pay ——

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of m^{r}: Samuel Wellington on the third day of nov^{r}: Anno: Domini 1777-
They Agreed to have a Publick-Town-Meeting on monday ye 10th Day of Nov^{r}: Currant at one of ye Clock afternoon at the meeting House to act on the following articles (Viz)
First to Choofe a moderator for the meeting ————————
Second to Choofe a Committe to provide for the Families of Such perfons as are gon into the Continential army for ye town of Watertown, & to act any thing Relating thereto as the town may think proper. ——— (3) to Grant money to pay for ye Armes Ammunition & Bread that the Selectmen provided for the meletia and to act any thing Relating thereto as they See fitt. —— (4) To know the minde of the town whether they will allow any thing to Such perfons as are in the Service as a Reinforcement to the Continetial army, and to do and act any thing Relating thereto as they may See fitt. (5) To know the minde of the town whether they

will do any thing Relating to the Settlement of a miniſter. & to act any thing Relating thereto as they may See fitt. —— (6) To act on any other matters that may be thought Neceſsary ——— Warrants were Sent to the Constables Signed By order of the Selectmen

Jon[a]: Brown Tow[n Clerk]

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At a Publick Town Meeting of y[e] freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the publick meeting House in Said Town on monday the tenth day of November AD. 1777. to transtact Several Matters Contained in the Warrant for Calling the meeting ————

They Voted & Choſe m[r]: Samuel White Moderator ———

the Second article being Read & the Question being put whether they will Chooſe a Committe to provide for the poor Families of perſons in the Continential army

It paſt in the Negative ————————

Then the Selectmens accounts for Armes &c was Read & and the Sum of £ 52 : 16 : 2 was Granted to pay for the Same also the Sum of 13 : 4 : 0 was Granted to pay for the Flour provided by them for the use of the melitia ———

Then Voted that the Selectmen Should Sell the Lead and Gun-Locks that they Bought and be accountable to the town for the money ariſing by the Sale thereof

At a Meeting of y[e] Selectmen at the House of m[r]: Sam[l]: Wellington on monday the 17th Day of Nov[r]: AD. 1777 —

They Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay m[r] Nathan Coollidge £ 4 : 10 : 0 which Sum he paid to help the wid[o] Murch to Greenwich — ———— They also agreed to have a Publick Town-Meeting at the Meeting House on Monday the 24th Inſtant at one of y[e] Clock afternoon to Chooſe a perſon for a Gospel Miniſter and to act any thing Relating thereto they think best. — and Directed the Clerk to Issue Warrants for that purpoſe —— which was Accordingly done

attest Jon[a]: Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders and other In-

habitants of Watertown Regularly aſsembled at the Publick meeting House in Said town on Monday the 24th Day of Novr: AD 1777. for the Choice of a Gospel Miniſter &c: as mentioned in the Warning for Said meeting. — — — — — — — — — — Voted & Choſe Samuel Fisk Esqr: Moderator of ye Meeting The Town being Informed that the Church had made Choice of mr: Daniel Adams for their miniſter Voted unanimously for the Said mr: Daniel Adams approveing of & Concuring with the Church in the Choice they had made ——— Voted to Chooſe a Committe Conſiſting of Seven to Consider (and make Report at the adjournment of this meeting) What Salary or Support it will be proper for the town to offer Said mr Adams for his encouridgment

Voted & Choſe for sd Committe —— { mr: David Bemis
mr: Samll White
mr Moſes Stone
mr Nathl Stone
mr Jedih Leathe
Samll Fisk Esqr:
mr: Elijah Bond }

Voted & adjourned this meeting to monday Next at two of the Clock afternoon at this place ————

Attest Saml: Fisk moderator ————

At a meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled on monday the First Day of Decr: AD. 1777. By adjournment. ———— Samuel Fisk Esqr: being moderator.- The Committe Choſen on monday last & Directed to make Report at the adjournment beg leave to Report as followeth (Viz)

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That mr: Adams have the use and Improvement of the miniſterial place both the homeſted and Marſh and also the miniſterial pew in the meeting House during his miniſtry in Watertown, & That mr: Adams have a Grant of one Hundred pounds Lawfull money pr annum as a Sallery during his miniſtery

in Watertown as aforesaid ^ and in conſideration of the Extraordinary price of the Neceſsaries of life the Sum of one hundred & Fifty pounds in Addition to his Sallary for the first year and they promis in future to make Such additional Grants to his Sallary the first mentioned hundred pounds as the State of the medium and the price of the Neceſsaries of life Shall make to appear Just and Reaſonable. ————

David Bemis Pr: Order

Watertown Decr: 1n: 1777.

Then the town Voted and Accepted the foregoing Report — — Voted to Chooſe a Committe to wait on Mr: Daniel Adams & preſent him a Copy of the Votes of the Town, and to know if he will accept of the purpoſals

Voted & Choſe for sd: Committe { Samll: Fisk Esqr: ———— mr: Nathl Stone

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of Jonathan Brown on the 14th Day of Decr AD 1777 ————

They Agreed to Call a Publick Town-meeting to be at the Meeting House on the 15th Day of the Same Month at two of the Clock afternoon to manifest their minds Relating to the Quartering Some of the officers of the army lately Commanded by Genl Burgoyne in Watertown, and to act thereon as they think proper. —— and Directed the Clerk to Issue warrants to the Constables for that purpoſe which was accordingly don

Pr Jona: Brown Toun-Clerk

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At a Publick Town meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at the Meeting House in Said Town on the 15th Day of December AD 1777.

They Voted & Choſe Jonathan Brown Esqr: Moderator of ye meeting

then the article Relating to Quartering Burgoynes officers was Read & after a fair and Candid Debate thereon the following vote paſsed unanimously (Viz) That it is The Opinion of this town that the Quartering the Britiſh officers amonge the Inhabitants thereof, at this time, is very Dangerous to the peace & Safty of the town as well as the publick, and therefore we Cannot give our conſent thereto ————————

Then they Chofe the Selectmen to be a Committe to Inform the D. Q. Master, and Such of the Inhabitants of the town as were Inclined to Receive S^{d}: officers into their families or houfes of this Vote ——————
Then the meeting was Defolved — — — — — — — — —

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 5th Day of January AD: 1778. at the Houfe of m^{r} Sam^{ll}: Wellington They Signed an order on the town Treafurer to pay m^{r}: Samuel White £ 4 : 10 : 0 for taking The late Fanning Learneds Child: and also to pay m^{r} Jedidiah Leathe the Sum of £ 2 : 8 : 0 which he paid m^{r}: Samuel Jenifon for Boarding Ruth Maddox, —

Jan^{ry}. ye 12. 1777 Phin^{s} Child gave in a notification

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 12 Day of Jan^{ry}: AD. 1778. They ordered the Clerk to Issue Warrants directed to the Constable to warn the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown to afsemble at the meeting House on Fryday the 16 Inftant at one of the Clock afternoon to hear the articles of Confederation Read and to act on the Same &c ——————

Warrant Issued accordingly p^{r} Jon^{a}: Brown [Town-Clerk]

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At this meeting they Signed an order on the town Treafurer to pay into the hands of Samuel Fisk Esqr the Sum of one Hundred pounds to pay for Supplying the Pulpit he to be accountable for the Same

At a Publick Toun-Meeting held at the Meeting-Houfe on Fryday the 16th. Day of Jan^{ry}: AD 1778.
Voted & Chofe Dea^{n}: Nathaniel Stone moderator then adjourned to the Houfe of m^{r} Bez^{ll} Learned and being there Afsembled, the articles of Confederation & per^{pe}tual union between the un^{i}ted States of America as Purpofed by Congrefs were Read & Confidered, and Voted that the Reprefentative be and he is hereby fully Impowered & Inftructed to do and act any thing he Shall Judge proper in order to their being Rattified & Confirmed — Then the meeting was Desolved ——————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of m^{r} Sam^{ll}: Wellington on the 19th Day of February AD: 1778 ————
They Directed the Clerk to Issue out warrants to the Several

Constables to warn the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to aſsemble at the publick Meeting House on Monday the 9th Day of march Next at nine O: Clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles (Viz) — — — —

First To Chooſe a Moderator for the meeting (2ly) To Chooſe Selectmen Town-Clerk and Treaſurers & all other town officers Required by law to be Choſe in the month of march annually

(3ly) To Chooſe a Saxton & agree how he Shall be paid for his Service

(4ly) to put in their votes for a County Treaſurer ————

(5) to Determin whether Swine Shall Run at large ye present year

(6) To Chooſe a Committe to Examin the town-Treaſurers accounts —

(7) To appropriate the Interest money Coming to the town ye preſent year

(8) To Grant money to Support the miniſtery the preſent year ————

[(9) To Gra]nt money to Support the poor — — — — — — — (10)

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(10) To Grant money to Support the Great Bridge — — — — —

(11) To Grant money to pay the Collectors of Tax's (12) To Grant money to Repair the High-ways & Town-ways and agree upon a Method to perform the Service ——

(13) To Grant money to pay what was hired to pay the Bounty to the Continential Soldiers (14) To Grant money to pay Such perſons as have been in the Service for which no allowance has been made and to act any thing thereon the town think proper — — — —

(15) To know the minde of the town whether they will Call in the money that is due to them & Appropriate it for Defraying the Charge of the war, and act thereon as they See fitt. (16) To paſs on a list of Juriors that is prepared by the Selectmen (17) To Determin what Improvement Shall be made of the miniſterial place and the place that was John Stearnes's (18) To Determin in what manner the money Shall be paid to the perſons that have been in the Service or have paid money therefor agreable to the Grants that have been made for them (19) To know the minde of the town What Steps Shall be taken with James Hay in order for his

Supporting himſelf & family. ——— and also to notify the Town-Creditors to bring in their Accounts to the Selectmen at the House of mr: Samuel Wellington on Fryday the Sixth day of march next at two O.Clock afternoon ——— Warrants were Issued Accordingly and Signed Pr: order of the Selectmen

Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

The Comtte: Appointed to provide for the School For the year 1777 Agreed with mr John Remington jur to Keep the Grammer School eight months from ye 23d of June 1777 at £5 pounds

P month — — — — — — — — — — — — — — 40 : 0 : 0

paid by mr: David Bemis for wood for the School — 4 : *

paid by Saml White for wood for the School — — — *

Saml White } Comtte £4
David Bemis }

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At a meeting of the Selectmen at the House of mr Samuel Wellington on Fryday the 6th Day of march AD 1778. for Receiving the accounts of thoſe perſons the toun is Indebted to the following accounts were brot: in (Viz) — — — — — — — — — — — —

Samll Soden for proviſions for James Hay and ye wido Hackleton — — — — — — — — — —	4 : 9 : 5
Wido Vela for Boarding Mary Learneds Child	13 : 13 : 6
to Elijah Bond for Support of James Hay and Sarah Learneds Child - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	5 : 0 : 6
Saml White for Boarding Aaron Learned - - - - -	2 : 4 : 9
Dr Willian Gamage jur: for medicine &c for mrs Hackletons Child — — — — — — — — — — —	4 : 17 : 0
William Chenery for Board for Mary Learneds Child	0 : 6 : 8
Moſes Stone jur for Boarding Ruth Maddox — —	1 : 16 : 0
Zacharias Shed for Carting James Hays Goods —	3 : 0 : 0
Sarah Godding for Boarding Mary Learneds Child.	5 : 0 : 0
Thomas Coollidge for Boarding Ruth Maddox —	3 : 15 : 0
John Sawin for Boarding the wido Hackletons Child	5 : 14 : 0
Moſes Coollidge for house Room for ye wido Hackleton — — — —	2 : 10 : 0
Nathan Coollidge for Supplying James Hay & the wido Hackletons Child — — — — — — — — — —	11 : 8 : 5
Samuel Barnard for Supplys for ye Poor ~	3 : 11 : 0
Jedidiah Leathe for do — — — — — — — — — —	17 : 17 : 0
	85 : 3 : 3

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accounts for which no grant is made that were brot in viz

	£	s	d
To David Sanger for Services as pr: account — — —	4	16	8
To Saml: White pr do — — — — — — — — — —	2	2	8
To Elijah Bond pr do — — — — — — — — — — —	2	8	0
To David Bemis pr do — — — — — — — — — —	4	2	8
To Josiah Capen pr do — — — — — — — — — —	2	2	8
To Richard Leathe for making Cartriages — — —	2	16	0
To Hugh Maſon for do &c — — — — — — — — —	3	1	8
To Seth Norcroſs for Casting Bullets — — — — —	0	10	0
To John Draper for Baking &c — — — — — — —	2	12	0
To Saml Fisk for 12 Days in taking the Invoice & making the Rates @ 8/ pr day — — — — — —	4	16	0
To Josiah Bisco for do ————————	4	16	0
To Jona Brown for do ————————	4	16	0
To do for Serving Treaſurer ————————	6	0	0
	45	10	4

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At a Genl: Publick Town Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the Meeting houſe in sd: Town on Monday the ninth day of march AD 1778. for the Choice of Town officers & other affairs as Setforth in the warning for sd meeting ————

They Voted and Choſe Dean: Nathl Stone moderator ————

Then Voted & Choſe the following Town-officers as hereafter mentioned viz.

For Selectmen ———— { mr Saml: Soden
mr Jedidih Leathe
majr Samll: Barnard
mr Richd: Clark
mr Nathan Coollidge }

For Town-Clerk & Toun-Treaſurer Jonathan Brown Esqr.

For Aſseſsors - - - - { mr Josiah Bisco
Lt Amos Bond
mr Jedih: Leathe }

For Constables Meſsrs: David Coollidge & Eires Tainter ————

For a Committe of Correspondance Inſpection and Safty - - - - - - { mr: Saml: White
mr David Bemis
mr David Sanger
Capt Phins Stearnes Excuſed
mr Daniel Sawin }

Wardens Mesrs: Nathl Bright & Amos Bond ———
Sealer of Leather mr: Stephen Whitney — — — —
Fence-Viewers Mesrs: John Draper & Jonas Hastings
Surveyors of Highways mesrs Solon Prentice & David Bemis
Tything men mesrs: John Draper & Thos: Learned — ———
Hogrieves mesrs: John Randal & Jonathan Craft
Surveyors of Timber &c mesrs David Sanger & David Bemis
Howards Mesrs: Nathl Bright & Amos Bond ———
Clerks of the Markets Lt: Josiah Capen jur & Lt Amos Bond —
Cullar of Hoops Staves &c mr David Sanger ———
For Saxton mr: Simon Hastings & Granted 6 pounds for his Service, ———
Then the Question was put whether Swine Shall Run at Large & it past in ye negative

Comtte- to Examin ye Treasurs acctts- { Saml: Fisk Esqr, mr Moses Stone, mr David Bemis }

Voted & appropriated the Interest money as follows *
to the School and the Remainder to the Minister

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Voted & Granted to Support the Poor the Sum of £150
To Repair the Great Bridge ye Sum of - - - 6
To pay the Collectors of Tax's - - - - - - - - 6
(Viz) three pounds to each — — — — —
to Repair the Highways & Townways - - 150

Voted that the price of Labour in working at sd: ways
Shall be 9/s for a man & 9/s for a Team pr Day—eight Hours to be Accounted a day ————
Voted that the asseesors make a list or asseesment and Commit the Same to the Surveyors that each person may work out his proportion of Said Sum

The 13th article was put off to the adjournment
The 14 Article being Read. it was Voted to Choose a Committe to procure a list of the persons that have done Service in the War Since there has been any allowance made, and Report what their Service has been. & Report what is proper to be don thereon ~

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Choſe for Said Committe
- Capt Phinſ Stearnes
- mr David Bemis
- Majr: Saml Barnard
- mr Saml White
- mr Elijah Bond
- Lt Josiah Capen jun
- Lt Amos Bond
- mr Jonas White
- Sergt Moſes Stone
- mr: Daniel Sawin
- mr Josiah Bisco

Then Voted that the money now in the Treaſury that was on Interest before be appropriated to help pay what money has been hired to pay Soldiers ————
Then they Voted & accepted the lists Juriors
Then Voted that this meeting be adjourned to Monday the twenty third Inſtant at one O.Clock afternoon at this place

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Middleſex ſs: Watertown March ye 13th: 1778. ————
The following perſons appeared & were Sworn into the Several offices hereafter mentioned (Viz)
Meſsr: Josiah Bisco & Jedidiah Leathe — Aſseſsors
mr: Nathl Bright. Warden. mr: Stephen Whitney Sealer of Leather
Mr: John Draper & Jonas Hastings Fence Viewers ————
mr John Draper Tythingman mr: John Randal Hogrieve
mr Nathaniel Bright Howard, & Lt: Josiah Capen jur Clerk of the market — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
Sworn by Jona: Brown Justt: Peace

March ye 23d: 1778 Lt: Amos Bond was Sworn into the offices of aſseſsor, Warden, Howard, & Clerk of the market — — — —
Nathl Bright & Moſes Coollidge Constables, — — — — — — —
meſsr Solomon Prentice & David Bemis Surveyors of Highways
David Sanger & David Bemis Surveyors of Timber &c
Sworn by Jona: Brown Justt Peace

At a Publick Toun-Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabi-

tants of Watertoun Regularly aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe in Said town on monday ye 23^d Day of march AD 1778.

By Adjournment Dea^n Nathl: Stone being moderator ————

m^r: David Coollidge paid his fine having Refuſed to Serve Constable, & Nathl Bright was Choſen Constable — — — — — —

m^r Eires Tainter paid £12 pounds which was accepted in lieu of his serving Constable, and m^r: Stephen Whitney was Choſen Constable & at his Request was Excuſed this year

m^r Moſes Coollidge was Choſen Constable — — — — — — —

m^r Elijah Bond was Choſen one of the Committe of Corroſpondance in the Room of Capt Phin^s Stearnes.

m^r Sam^ll: Barnard ju^r was Choſen a Hogrieve ~

Voted & Granted the Sum of £500 towards paying the Bounty to the Continential Soldiers

Voted that the Same Committe take Care of ye miniſterial place that had the Care of it the last year — — — — — — — — — —

Voted that the Committe Notify miſs Storer & m^r * to Remove out of the houſe as Soon as m^r Crafts *

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Voted that the Committe put up the fences & Secure the Place as they Judge Neceſsary — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Voted that the Selectmen take Care of the place that was John Stearnes & Improve it as they think best ————

Voted that the Sums that was Granted to each Soldier Shall be paid to them or their order — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Voted that Mr Nathl Bright be a Collector of Tax's

Voted that M^r Moſes Coollidge be a Collector of Tax's

Then the Committe appointed to Consider what Service perſons have don in the preſent war for which there has been no allowance made was Read and after Debate thereon the Vote was put whether the Same Shall be Accepted and it paſt in the Negative

Then Voted to Commit the Report to a New Committe to Conſider and Report what they think is proper to be don thereon and also to Report a plan for the Raiſing men in futer in an Equitable manner ————

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Voted & Chofe for S^{d}: Com^{tte} { M^{r}: Jedi^{h} Leathe
Saml: Fisk Esqr
m^{r} Mofes Stone
m^{r} David Bemis
Dea^{n} Nathl: Stone
m^{r} Simon Whitney
m^{r} Daniel Whitney
L^{t}. Chris^{r} Grant ju^{r}
m^{r} Richd Clark
m^{r} Josiah Capen
m^{r} Jonas Barnard }

Voted that Said Committe make Report at the Next Town Meeting —
Then the meeting was Defolved — — — — — — — — — — — —

At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houfe of m^{r}: Saml: Wellington on the First day of april AD 1778. they agreed to have a Town Meeting at the meeting house on the Sixth day of this month at two o:Clock to act on Several matters [Setfo]rth in the Warrants which are on file ————

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At a meeting of the Selectmen at the House of m^{r}: Bezaleel Learned on monday the 23d Day of march AD : 1778 ———— They Signed Orders on the Treafurer to pay the Several perfons the Refpective Sums affixt to each of their names Viz

To Saml: Fisk - - - -	1	4	0
to Mofes Stone - - -	1	4	0
to Jon^{a}: Brown - - -	3	17	4
to d^{o} - - - - - - - - - -	12	0	0
to Saml Fisk - - - - -	5	0	0
to John Remington -	4	5	0
to Jonas White - - -	0	12	0
to Josiah Capen - - -	0	12	0
	28	14	4

They also Signed an order to pay the Selectmen that Served ye last year the Sum of 65 : 0 : 2 which Sum they paid for armes Flour &c ————

To Saml: Soden - - -	4	9	5
to the wid^{o} Vila - -	13	13	6
to Elijah Bond - - -	5	0	6
to Saml White - - - -	2	4	9
to Dr Wm Gamage -	4	17	0
to Wm Chenery - - -	0	6	8
to Mofes Stone ju -	1	16	0
to Zach^{s} Sheed - - - -	3	0	0
to Sarah Godding - -	5	0	0
to Thos: Coollidge -	3	15	0
to John Sawin - - - -	5	14	0
to Mofes Coollidge -	2	10	0
to Nathan Coollidge	11	8	5
to Saml Barnard - - -	3	11	0
to Jedi^{h} Leathe - - -	17	17	0
	85	3	3

At a Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs aſsembled at the public meeting Houſe in S^{d}: Town on Monday the 6th: Day of April AD : 1778 By adjournment ————
Dea^{n}: Nathaniel Stone being Moderator ————
Voted that the Ordination of m^{r}: Daniel Adms be on the 29th Day of this preſent month of April ————
Voted to Chooſe a Committe to provide for the ordination

Voted & Choſe for s^{d}: Com^{tte}— { m^{r}: Moſes Stone
Saml: Fisk Esqr.
m^{r} David Bemis
m^{r} Jonas White
m^{r} Saml White
m^{r} Jedi^{h} Leathe

Voted that the Committe draw £100 pounds out of the Treaſury for the above Service & be accountable for ye Expenditure of the Same ————

Voted that m^{r}: Adams's Sallary be Aſseſt as Soon * be

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Voted that a Grammer School & two writting Schools be kept from the middle of Nov^{r}: next till the first Day march next following - - -
Voted & Granted £100 pounds to Support S^{d} Schools
Voted to Chooſe a Committe to take care of & provide for Said Schools —

Voted & Choſe for s^{d} Com^{ttee}— { Saml: Fisk Esqr—
m^{r} David Sanger
m^{r} Amos Livermore

Voted that the Schools be keept twice a day (Viz)
three Hours in the forenoon & three in the afternoon
Votd & Choſe for a Committe to view the pound & Report what is proper to be don (Viz)

Committe— { m^{r} Josiah Capen
m^{r} Moſes Stone
m^{r} David Bemis

The Committe made verbal Report that they had attended the

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Service and had found all the timber unfitt for use and that is it necefsary to build a new one ———
Then it was Voted that they endeavor to finde what the Cost of a New one will be and Report to ye town at the adjournment - - -
Then they took under Consideration the Report of the Committe Relating to the men that have don Service in the War & have had no allowance
Voted that the men that went in perfon & thofe that hired others be paid alike for the Service — — — — — —
Voted that the following twelve perfons that were to Reinforce the Nothern Army have 30 pound each

(Viz) Daniel Parker	Jacob Sanderfon
Saml Sprague	Zach^h: Shed
Henry Bradfhaw	Benjn Capen
Mofes Hager	Jedid^h Leathe
Jon^a: Stone	Jon^a: Livermore
John Sawin	Peter Richardfon

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Nov^r: The nine that were Raifed to Guard the prifoners at Cambridge (Viz)

	Stephen Harris
Ruggles Whitney	Thos: Learned—
Jon^a: Craft	Saml: Wellington
David Bemis ju^r	James Mallard
Thad^us Fullar	Daniel Mafon

The nine men for Dorchester heights (viz) ———

Seth Norcrofs	Josiah Learned
Pennuel Park	Andrew Stimfon
Jon^a: Child	Daniel Coollidge
Phin^s Child	Benjn Hurd
Benjn Hastings	

1778 Jan^ry: to Reinforce the Guards at Cambridge being twenty three men (Viz)

Edwd: Harrington ju^r	Joshua Stratton
Saml: Bond	Simon Coollidge ju^r
Nathl: Bemis	Coverfe Spring
Luke Bemis	
Thos: Prentice	Wm Learned
Richd Everit	James Stone
Nathl: Coollidge	George Alen

Step^{n} Cook	John Vila
Wm Sanger	Joseph Bright
Wm Morſe	Andrew White
Phin^{s} Jeniſon	Jon^{a}: Brown ju^{r}
Joseph Child	Edm^{d}: Fowle

March Eighteen men to go to the lines for one month all theſe to have their wages with what is allowed them by ye Continent & State
^ made up to Six pounds p^{r} Month - - - Then the Report Relating to Raiſing men for the futer was Read & Committed to a new Com^{ttie} to be taken in to a New Draught

Choſe for S^{d}: Committe { m^{r} Josiah Capen, Saml: Fisk Esqr., m· Josiah Bisco }

Then the meeting was Adjourned to monday *
of this month at 3: OClock afternoon at this pl[ace] *

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At a Publick Town meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in Town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick meeting Houſe in S^{d}: Toun monday the 20th Day of April AD. 1778. By adjournment Dea^{n}: Nathe^{l}. Stone being Moderator ——

The accounts of thoſe perſons the town is Indebted to were Read & accepted and the Sum of 45 : 10 : 4 was Granted to pay the Same - - - -
Then the Com^{tte}—Appointed to take care of the miniſterial place & Repair the Barn fences &c made Report of their doings thereon and there Appeared to be a Ballance in their hands of 25 : 17 : 2. which was Voted & Accepted See the Report on File ————
Votd & accepted the Report of the Committe on the plan for Raiſing men for the Service in the army See the Report . . .
Voted that the Meletia officers with the Committe of Corroſpondance be a Committe to procure men for the Publick Service in the army at the Expence of the Toun - - - - — ————————————
Voted that Said Committe have power in the name & Behalf of the Toun to hire money if Need be for Said Service

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At a meeting of the Selectmen on Monday ye 11th Day of may AD 1778. at the House of m^{r}: Bezaleel Learned They Agreed to have a Toun meeting for the Choice of a Repreſentative or Repreſentatives at the meeting House on Monday the 18 day of this Inſtant month of may at two O:Clock in the afternoon for S^{d} purpoſe. and also an other meeting at three O.Clock the Same day at the Same place to act on the following Articles (Viz) — — — First to Chooſe a Moderator for Said Meeting ——————
(2^{ly}) For the toun to grant money or do any thing they think neceſsary to Incourage the Raiſing men for Recruiting the army as they think best — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
(3^{ly}) For the Toun to Determin what Sums of money Shall be aſseſt at this time (4^{ly}) For the Toun to make grants to Such men as have been in the Service that were omitted before. if they See fitt- (5) For the town to make proviſion for Building a pound and to act thereon as they think best. (6^{ly}) To know if the Town will Call in the money that is due on Bond or note of Hand & appropriate it to Such uſes as they See fitt. (7) To know the minde of the town what Shall be don Relating to the Counterfitt money that has been taken for the Service of the Town and to act thereon as they See fitt. (8^{ly}) To know the minde of the town whether they will allow of a Hospitall for Enocculating for the Small pox and to Act thereon as they See fitt (9^{ly}) To hear the Reports of any Committees and act thereon as they See fitt. and also act on any other Matters that they may Judge Neceſsary at this time ——————
Warrants were Issued out to ye Constables Directing them to warn the Inhabitants to meet at Said times & place for S^{d} purpoſes. Dated may ye 12th 1778 ——————

By Order of ye Selectmen ————
Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Regular Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of Repreſentatives held at the Publick Meeting House in S^{d}: Town on Monday ye 18th Day of may AD 1778 ——————
They made Choice of Jonathan Brown Esqr. to Serve for & Repreſent the Town the year enſueing in the General Court ———

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting House in S^{d}: town on monday the 18th Day of may AD 1778. to transact Sundry town affairs as Sett-forth in the Warrants ————
They Voted & Choſe D^{n}: Nathl: Stone moderator ———
Then they Voted to Chooſe a Committe to Examin what Expence the town has been at in hiring men for Service in the War & Report to the town — —

Voted & Choſe for S^{d}: Committe
- M^{r}: Moſes Stone
- M^{r}: David Sanger
- M^{r}: Saml White -
- Capt Phin^{s} Stearnes
- Maj^{r} Saml Barnard

Then Voted that the Selectmen be joined to the Committe of Corroſpondance & Melitia for Raiſing men to Recruit the army
Voted & Granted a further Sum of £5 pounds to each of the men that went to the White plains in the year 1776
Voted that the men that went to the Northward in the year 1776 with Capt: Edwd: Harrington be allowed a further Sum of 1 : 13 : 4 each ————
[Vo]ted y^{t} the Committe appointed to hire men Report [wh]at they Should Receive ————————————

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Voted to Chooſe a Committe to Build a Pound for ye preſent

Voted and Choſe for S^{d}: Committe ——
- Jon^{a} Brown
- m^{r} Josiah Capen
- m^{r} Moſes Stone

Voted that the Town Treaſurer Call in all the money that is due to the town on Bond or Note as Soon as may be - - - - - - - - - - -
Voted & appropriated Said money to help Defray the expence of the present War — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
Voted that the Treaſurer Report what money is due to the town as aforesaid & from whome due
Voted that the Selectmen take an account of the money that any perſons have Received for the use of the toun that is Counterfit and lay the Same before the Toun at the adjournment of this meeting
Then the meeting was Adjourned to the first Monday in June Next at this place at three O:Clock afternoon ————

At a Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the Meeting House in Said Town on Monday the First day of June AD. 1778 By Adjournment Dea^{n}: Nathl: Stone being moderator

Voted & Granted a further Sum of £3 pounds p^{r}: month to each of the men that went to Cambridge to Guard the priſoners & also to each of thoſe that went afterwards as a Reinforcement to s^{d} Guards and ^{to} the men that went to Roxbury lines in addition to what was granted them before. ———————————

Voted & Granted the Sum of £720 pounds to hire men to go into the Continential army. also voted & Granted the Sum of £270 pounds to pay the men to go to Peks-kiln

Granted to Wellington & Crane for the *
8 months 40/ each £4 pounds they being ommitted *

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Voted & granted the Sum of twenty two pounds to Cornelius Park for his Service the first eight months and for his Service for one year in going to New-York & Canada — — —

The Committe appointed to enquire into the whole Expence that the toun had been at in hiring men for the Service Reported

See their Report on file - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -

Voted that the Sum of 2443 ″ 18 ″ 11 be aſseſt as Soon as may be to pay the men according to the Several grants made them

Voted & Granted the Same Sums of money to Capt Phin^{s}: Stearnes and Leiutenants Josiah Capen & Amos Bond as were allow'd the privates that Served with them ——————————

The Committe appointed to Inquire what Sums of money had been Received by perſons for the use of the town that was Counterfit Reported the following (Viz)

Jed^{h} Leathe	10 : 0 : 0
Saml: Barnard	8 : 0 : 0
Jonathan Brown	1 : 10 : 0
John Draper	5 : 6 : 0
David Sanger	6 : 10 : 0
	£31 : 6 : 0

Then they voted & granted the above Sum of to make it good: Voted that if any of the persons above named Receive any

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thing for s^d^ Counterfitt money it Shall be for the benefitt of the toun ————————

The Committe on the toun-Treafurers accounts Reported as follows (Viz)

Watertown June 1^h^: 1778

We the Subscribers a Com^tee^ appointed by the s^d^: town to Examin the Town-Treafurers acc^tts^. have attended that Service & finde his accounts for the year 1774-1775-1776 & 1777 Well vouched and Right Cast. ————

Sam^ll^: Fisk
David Bemis

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 4th day of June AD 1778: They appointed a publick Toun-meeting of all The freeholders & other male Inhabitants of Watertown who are 21 years of Age that are free. to be held at the Dwelling House of m^rs^: Dorothy Coolldge on monday the 8th Day of may Infant. First to Choofe a moderator—

(2^ly^) To take into Consideration a New Form of Government purpofed by a Convention of ye late General Court ordered to be laid before the Inhabitants for their approbation or Disapprobation and to act thereon as they See fit ————

(3^ly^) For to know the minde of the town whether they will Sell the two pews that were Referved for ye Singers and to act thereon as they think proper. (4^ly^) To hear the Report of a Committe Relating to the Raifing men for the Service of the war. and to act thereon as they See proper. (5^ly^) To pafs on James Hays account for Labour on the minifterial place & make a Grant to pay the Same if they think proper (6^ly^) To act on any other Matters that may then be thought Necefsary.

Warrants were Issued directing the Constables to warn the Inhabitants to meet at Said time & place for s^d^: purpofes. & Signed By Order of ye Selectmen

Jon^a^: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Publick Town-Meeting of the Male Inhabitants of Watertown that were 21 years of age that are free held at the publick House of m^rs^: Dorothy Coollidge on Monday the 8th Day of June AD. 1778. Dea^n^ Nathl Stone was Chofen Moderator of The

meeting. The purpoſed Form of Government being Read & after Debate thereon. The Question was put whether they Approve of the Same. and it paſsed in the Negative unanimouſly. there being Sixty Voters present ————
Voted that the Repreſentative endavor to prevent any thing being don Relating to a New Constitution at present. — ——— ———

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Then a Report of a Committe appointed to Report a Plan for a more eaſie & Just way of Raiſing men for the Publick Service was Read & accepted which is on file. Then Voted to Chooſe a Committe to devide the Inhabitants into Lotts agreable to s^{d}: Report — Voted that they Shall be paid 12/ each for each day they Shall Spend Neceſsarily in the Service ———

Voted & Choſe for S^{d}: Comtt^{e}— { Saml: Fisk Esqr / Jon^{a} Brown Esqr / m^{r} Moſes Stone / m^{r} Saml: White / m^{r} Josiah Bisco }

Then James Hays Account was Read & the Selectmen were appointed to Settle the Same £5 pounds being allow'd
Then the Meeting was Diſsolved ————————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of m^{r} Bezaleel Learned on the 25th Day of June AD: 1778: They agreed to have a publick Town-meeting at the Meeting House on Saturday the 27 Day of this present month of June at 4:O:Clock afternoon to act on ye following articles (Viz) First to Chooſe a Moderator for the meeting. Secondly to agree upon a Method to raiſe four men to go into the Service of the united States to do duty in the State of Rhoad. Island & to make a Grant of a Sum of money to encourage the Inlistment of the men for that Service or any futer Service & to do & act any thing thereon that may be thought Neceſsary: (3) To hear the accounts of any perſons to whome the town is Indebted & Grant money to pay the Same. and also to Chooſe a Committe to Settle accounts with thoſe perſons that have Received money out of the Treaſury. and to act on any other matters that may be tho^{t} Neceſsary: Warrants were Issued out accordingly

Pr Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Publick Town-Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote Town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the meeting Houſe on Saturday the 28 day of June AD : 1778. ——————————————

Voted & Choſe Samuel Fisk Esqr: Moderator of ye meeting

Then voted to Reconsider their vote of ye 4 Inſtant Relating to Raiſing men &c: Voted to Chooſe a Committe to hire 4 men for the Service at Rhoad Iſland - and also men for other Services as often as they are ordered by proper Authority with full power to hire money in the Name & behalf of the town for Such Services as often as Occation may Require: They to Continue a Com^{tte} for S^{d} purpoſe during the towns Pleaſure

Voted & Choſe for Said Committe— | M^{r}: Moſes Stone
Mr Saml White
L^{t}: Amos Bond

Voted that to allow S^{d}: Committe Reaſonable pay for their Service —

Then Voted to Chooſe a Committe to Settle accounts with thoſe perſons that have hired Received money out of the town ——— Treaſury

Voted & Choſe for Said Committe | M^{r}: David Sanger
M^{r}: Jedi^{h} Leathe
M^{r}: Saml. White

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on monday the 20th Day of July AD 1778: at the Houſe of m^{r} Bezaleel Learned. They Provided & appointed m^{r}: Jonas Whites Barn yard to be a publick Pound for the present & appointed his Son m^{r}: Joel White to be pound keeper till further orders — — — ——————————————

They also agreed to allow the wid^{o} Mary Vila 12/s p week from this time till further orders for Boarding Mary Learneds Child

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At this meeting they Signed an order on the town Treaſ^{r}. to pay the Sum of £1054 : 12 : 8 to Such perſons as had been in the War or had paid money for Such Service, agreable to the Severall grants made them

at this meeting m^{r} Jonas Bond Sent a Notification to the Selectmen Informing them that he had Received a Female Child in to his Family to Board Named Betſey Johnſton who came Last from

Cambridge on the first day of August Last past Suppoſed to be a poor Child

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on monday the 6th day of Sepr: 1778 They Approved of Bezaleel Learned. Edward & Richardſon Renewing their licences as Innholders and Amos Bond, Moſes Coollidge & Josiah Capen as Retailors and Recommended David Bemis for a Retailor in the Room of his Son David Deceaſed - - - - and at a Meeting at mrs: Dorothy Coollidge on Fryday the 11th day of Sepr: 1778 They Approved of Capt: Abner Craft and Samuel Cook for Retailors, and Approbated Jonathan Craft: & Recommended him for a Retailor ————

At a meeting of ye Selectmen (on ye Day of Sepr: AD 1778)— Viz of Watertown, Weston, & Waltham at Capt: Isaac Gleasons in Waltham they adjusted & proportioned & Signed the accts for the Repairing the Great Bridge in Watertown which had Ariſen Since the last adjusment which was on ye 18 day of Sepr: AD 1777. amounting to the Sum of £2 : 14 : 6

Watertowns Part of Said Sum being ———	0	19	3	
Weston Ditto being ——————— ———	0	17	11	2
Walthams Ditto being ———————	0	17	3	2
	£2	14	6	0

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At a meeting of ye Selectmen on monday ye day of Octr: 1778 at the House of mr Bezaleel Learned they Agreed to Call a Publick Town meeting to be at the Meeting House on monday the Second day of November Next at one O:Clock afternoon to act on the following Articles (Viz)
(1) To Chooſe a moderator (2) To Determin in what manner the miniſterial place Shall be Improved, and agree how the Pulpit Shall be Supplyed for the Futer, and Determin whether the town will Defray the Expence of the Funeral of the Late Revd: mr Daniel Adams. to do and act any thing thereon yt the town think proper. (3) To put in their votes for a County Treaſurer. (4) to Chooſe a Committee to finde what peices of Land Belong to the town that have not been Diſpoſed of and Determin whether the town will Sell them or any of or take Such Methods as may be thought proper to Remove any Incumbrances from off them, and act thereon as they See fitt- (5) To hear the Reports of any Com-

mittees and act thereon as they See fitt. (6) To do any thing further that may be thought Neceſsary for Building a Pound. (7) To know the minde of the town What Sums of money or Whether any that have been hired to Raiſe Soldiers Shall be aſsest at this time, and Determine what Shall be further don thereon —(8) To know whether any thing further Shall be don Relating to ye Schools, and act thereon as they See fitt—(9) To Grant any further Sum of money for the Support of the poor or other Services as may be thought Proper— (10) To abate any Perſons Rates yt the town may think Proper.— Lastly to act on any other matters as may appear Neceſsary at this time as the town may think Proper. —— The Clerk was Ordered to Issue out Warrants directed to the Constables Requiring them to Warn a Meeting at sd: time & place for the purpoſes as abovementioned which was accordingly don

P Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Publick Town meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in Town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the publick meeting Houſe in Said town on monday the Second Day of November AD. 1778—For Transacting Sundry affairs as Mentioned in ye Warrant &c

Voted & Choſe Samll: Fisk Esqr: for Moderator of yr meeting

Voted that mrs: Adams have the use of the miniſterial Houſe & other Buildings belonging to the miniſterial place till the first day of April Next —— Voted that ye Sallary of the late Redd: mr Daniel Adams be paid to mrs Adams his wido till Six weeks after his Death. ——————————

Voted to Chooſe a Committe to Supply the pulpit at preſent

Voted & Choſe for Said Committee
- Mr: Saml: White
- mr David Sanger
- mr David Bemis
- mr: Moſes Stone jur
- mr Elijah Bond

Then the Expence of the Funerel of ye late mr Adams was laid before the toun and after Considering ye Same they Voted to accept the account & Voted & Granted the Sum of £44 " 16 : 0 to Sattisfie ye Same —

(3) article Read & the votes were bro^{t}: in for a County Treaſurer —
(4) article Read & Considered & Voted to Chooſe a Committee to Inquire and See what peices of Common or other land belonge to the town & make Report — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Voted & Choſe for S^{d}: Committee
- m^{r} Josiah Capen
- Jon^{a}: Brown Esqr
- m^{r} David Bemis
- Saml: Fisk Esqr
- m^{r} Jonas White

Then Several Reports of Committees were Read and are as follows (Viz) one Signed by Moſes Stone & others being a Committee for hiring men for the war &c the account ammounting to £342 ″ 12 ″ 0 which was Voted & Granted. one other Signed by Saml Soden & others for like Services ammounting to £974 : 3 : 0 which Sum was also Voted & Granted ————
David Sanger & others a Com^{tte}: to Settle with Such perſons Received money out of the treaſury Reported their
* gs which was accepted See the Reports on

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Then they Voted to Build a pound as Soon as Conveniently Can be —— Voted that the Same be built with Timber Voted that it be Built on the Same Ground where the last pound was. ——— then Voted to Chooſe a Committee to Build Said pound

Voted & Chooſe for Said Committee
- m^{r} Moſes Stone
- m^{r} Josiah Capen
- m^{r} Simon Whitney

Then Voted that the Remainder of the Charge that the town has been at in hiring men for the war be aſseſst as Soon as may be — Then a motion was made & Seconded to adjourn the Meeting to the House of m^{r} Bez^{ll}: Learned at Six O'Clock this Evening which was accordingly don ————————
At Said time & place the meeting being opened They Voted & Granted £50 pounds as a further Sum to Support the poor ——— also Voted & Granted £100 pounds as addition to the former grant for Support of Schools ————————
The town being Informed that they had no Deed of ye miniſterial

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place which was purchafed Some time past of Capt: John Brown they Voted to Choofe a Committee to Enquire into that affair and Endeavor to obtain a title from Said Brown. and make Report of their doings to the toun at the adjournment of this meeting

Voted & Chofe for Said Committee	Saml: Fisk Esqr Jon^{a}: Brown Esqr Saml: White

Then Voted that the Selectmen Improve a larg tree near Mr Sanderfons for the use of ye Schools or Poor as they See fitt. —— Then the meeting was adjourned to monday Next to Meet at m^{r}: Bez^{ll}: Learneds at two O:Clock afternoon

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Afsembled at ye House of m^{r}: Bez^{ll}: Learned on monday ye 9th Day of Nov^{r}: AD 1778 By Adjournment. Sam^{ll} Fisk Esqr: being Moderator
The article Relating to a pound being Read & after debate thereon. They voted & Granted the Sum of £40 pounds to be applyed to ye Building one ————
Then they took into Confideration the affair of the title to the minifterial place and after Some Debate thereon they Voted to Choofe four perfons as an Addition to the Committee on Said affair ————

Voted & Chofe on S^{d}: Committe	Wm Hunt Esqr m^{r} Simon Whitney m^{r} Josiah Capen m^{r} David Bemis

Then the meeting was adjourned for half an hour to give the Committe time to Confer with Capt: John Brown on ye affair —

The Town being again Met according to Adjournment They proceeded on the affair Relating to the minifterial place — The Committe Informed the town that they had not Come into any Agreement with Capt John Brown
They voted to Difmifs that Committe and Choofe a new one but after further Consideration thereon they Voted to Reconfider y^{t} vote and Voted to make an addition to ye Committe

Voted & added to Said Committe { Mr Mofes Stone
mr David Sanger
Majr Samll Barnard
mr Jedih. Leathe

Voted that the Committe be Injoined to attend ye Bufinefs
Voted that they be unanimous in their proceedings and Determination in order to make their doings Valid ———
Then voted yt this meeting be adjourned to Wednesday next at four O:Clock afternoon to meet at this plac
B[y] Reafon of a Severe Storm the Inhabitants not appearing at the time aforesaid the Meeting Defolved of Courfe

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A a Meeting of the Selectmen on monday ye 16th day of Novr: AD: 1778 at mr: Bezll Learneds: They agreed to have a publick Town meeting on monday the 30th day of this Inftant November at two O:Clock afternoon at the meeting House for ye ends following (Viz)—
First to Choofe a moderator of the Meeting ————
(2ly) To hear the Report of ye Committe Appointed to Settle the affair Relating to the minifterial place with Capt: John Brown & to Grant money to Defray the Charge thereof and to act anything Relating there to the matter that may be thot: proper ———
3ly To Inquire ino the doings of ye Committee yt: were Chofen in the year 1755. to Sell the old minifterial place and Common lands together with the Farm at Princtown and to act on the affair as the town may think proper ———— (4ly) To know the minde of the town whether they will Choofe a Collector or Collectors of Tax's and agree what they Shall have for their Services. and to make a further allowance to the Collectors already Chofen and to act thereon as they See proper. ——— Lastly to act on any other matters that may be thot: proper & Necefsary at this time ~
Warrants were Issued out accordingly p Jona Brown Town-Cle

At a publick Town-meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly afsembled at the meeting Houfe in sd: Town on monday the 30th: day of Novr: AD: 1778 ———
Voted & Choe Dean: Nathll: Stone Moderator of ye Meeting
The Committe appointed to Settle the matter Relating to ye minifterial place with Captt: John Brown Delivered their Report. which being Considered was Voted & accepted

Then it was Voted that the Sum of £157 : 1 : 0 which was the Expence attending the affair Should be hired for the Present to Defray Said Expence. —— —Then Voted that Jonathan Brown Esqr: town-Treafurer be & hereby is Impowered and Directed in his Said Capacity to hire the money and give his Note of hand in behalf of the town for the Same
the third article being Read they Voted to Choofe a Committe to enquire into the doings of a Committe C[hosen] in the year 1755 to Sell the minifterial p[lace]

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Voted & Chofe for S^{d}: Committe —
- Wm Hunt Esqr
- m^{r} Mofes Stone
- m^{r} Saml White
- m^{r} Simon Whitney
- m^{r} David Bemis
- Jon^{a}: Brown Esqr
- Saml Fisk Esqr
- m^{r} Jedi^{h} Leathe
- m^{r} Saml Soden

They voted that they make Report of their doings at the Next town meeting ———— Then the meeting was Desolved ———
At a meeting of ye Selectmen at the House of m^{r} Bezaleel Learned on the First day of Dec^{r}: AD. 1778
They Signed an order to the town-Treafurer to pay the Sum of Eleven Hundred & thirty Nine Pounds 17/8 Pence to Sundry Perfons that have don Services in the war each one the Sum that was Granted to them ~

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 22^{d} day of February 1779 at the Houfe of m^{r} Bez^{ll} Learned They Agreed to have the annual Town Meeting to be on the Eighth day of March Next at 9: O Clock in the morning at the meeting Houfe and Directed the Clerk to Issue Warrants Directed to ye Constables to Warn meeting of the Inhabitants at Said time & place for the Following purpofes (Viz) First to Choofe a moderator for the meeting— (2) To Choofe Selectmen Town-Clerk & Treafurer & all other town officers Required by law to be Chofe in the month of march annually (3) To Choofe a Saxton & agree how he Shall be paid for his Services (4) To put in their votes for a County

Treaſurer (5) to Determin whether Swine Shall Run at Large the preſent [year]

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(6) To Chooſe a Committe to Examin the Treaſurers accounts (7) To Grant money to Support the miniſtery the preſent year and to act any thing thereon the town may think proper. (8) To grant money to Support the poor (9) To grant money to Support the Great Bridge. (10) To hear the accounts of thoſe perſons the town is Indebted to & Grant money to pay the Same. (11) To Grant money to pay Collectors of Tax's and act any thing Relating thereto they think Proper. — (12) To agree what School or Schools Shall be kept and Grant money to Support the Same (13) To Determin how the miniſterial place & the place that was John Stearnes Shall be Improved and to act any thing Relating thereto they See fitt (14) To abate any perticular perſons Rates in any of the Constables or Collectors lists if the town think proper. (15) To grant money to Repair the Highways & Townways and agree upon a Method to perform the Service. (16) To know the minde of the town whether they will Sell or Leaſe a Small peice of Land between the Mill-Creek and the land that was the Late Nath[l]: Harris's and to act thereon as they See fitt — (17) To know the minde of the town whether they will purchas Chooſe a Committe to purchaſe grain for the use of the Inhabitants of the town & to act thereon as they think Proper — (18) To know the minde of the town whether they will Build a house for the use of the poor & do anything Relating thereto they think Neceſsary — (19) To know the minde of the town whether they will Reconvey the Estate that was John Stearnes's to him again and do any thing thereon that may be thought proper (20) To know the minde of the town whether they will join with Some of the Inhabitants of Newton in Petitioning the General Court to annex them to Watertown & to act thereon as they See fitt —— (21) To hear the Reports of any Committees and to act thereon as they See fitt — and also to notify the town Creditors to bring in their accounts to the Selectmen at the house of m[r] Bezaleel Learned on thursday the 4th Day of march next at 3. O Clock afternoon ———

Warrants were Issued accordingly
P Jon[a]: Brown Town Clerk

At this meeting the Selectmen Signed an order on the Tre[asurer] to pay Josiah Capen 4 : 10 : 0 Interest money

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at mr Bezll: Learneds on the 4th Day of march 1779. They Signed an order on the Treafurer to pay to the Adminiftratrix of the Estate of the late Revd: Daniel Adams Deceafed the Sum of £93 pound it being the whole of the Sallary due to the Deceafed. and also the Sum of £32 pounds to mrs: Silence Adams the wido: of the Said Deceafed it being a Grant made her by the town——and also the Sum of £48 p 9 : 0 to Saml: Fisk Esqr: for Cash advanced by him for Preaching & for wood for the School &c ————

At this meeting the following accounts were Prefented and Allowed (Viz):

To Samuel Soden for Supplys &c for the poor the year Past as pr account — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	28	3	0
To Jedh Leathe for do: P Do ————	34	5	2
To Samuel Barnard for do p do ————	6	18	0
To Richard Clark for do p do — — — — — —	3	11	0
To Nathanl Coollidge for do p do — — — — —	10	7	10
To Mary Vila for Boarding mary Learneds Child to this day being one year ————	35	14	0
To the wido Bethiah Hackleton for her Child one year ending the eighth Inftant - - - - - - -	23	8	0
To John Sawing for Boarding one other of Hackletons Children one year ending the fifth day of this month of march ———	15	12	0
To Elifha Learned for the poor — — — — —	6	0	0
To Thomas Learned for do. — — — — — — —	5	18	6
	169	17	6
To David Sanger for wood for ye School the present year — — — — — — — — —	13	4	0
To Amos Livermore for Do — — — — —	13	10	0

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We the Subscribers appointed by the Toun to take Care of the Schools the Proceeding year have Proceeded as followeth (Viz) — Your Comtte: Imployed mr: John Stratton to keep the east School three months @ £18 pr: month - - - - - - - - - - - - £54 : 0 —

and mr Wight to keep the middle School two months @ 20 pounds pr month — — — —	40	0	—
and mr: John Remington ju to keep the west School three months & ½ @ 20 pr month. £	70	0	—

Expended for wood for the Schools — — — — 36 : 0 —

£ 200 : 0 :

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Saml Fisk
David Sanger } Comtee
Amos Livermore

Town Creditors accounts are as follows (Viz)

To Josiah Bisco for Service as an aſseſsor the year past — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	38 : 8 :	——
To Amos Bond for Do — — — — — — — — — — —	33 : 12 :	——
To Jedh Leathe for Do — — — — — — — — — — —	36 : 0	——
To Jonathan Brown for Service as Treaſurer &c	60 : 0	——
to Saml: Fisk for providing for miniſters &c —	7 : 6	——
To Jedh Leathe for Repairs for the miniſterial place	3 : 2	——
To John Tainter for Do — — — — — — — — —	1 : 15	——
To Daniel Sawin for Do — — — — — — — — —	2 : 3	——
To Simon Hastings for Do — — — — — — — —	4 : 15	——
	187 : 1	
Mrs: Silence Adams for Boarding Miniſters &c as p account — — — — — — —	44 : 10	:allow'd

Voted that ye Selectmen Settle ye account and give an order on the Treaſurer for payment See Page (208) ————

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly aſsembled at the Publick meeting Houſe in Said Town on monday the 8th Day of March AD 1779 for the Choice of Town officers & other affairs as Setforth in the Warrant for Calling ye Meeting

Voted & Choſe Dean: Nathl: Stone for Moderator ————

Then Voted & Choſe the Several Perſons to Serve in ye Several offices hereafter mentioned (Viz)

Selectmen
- Mr: Saml: White
- Mr David Bemis
- Mr David Sanger
- Majr Saml Barnard
- Mr: Amos Livermore

For Town Clerk & Town-Treaſurer Jonathan Brown Esqr

Aſſeſſors —— { M^{r}: Josiah Bisco
Lt Amos Bond
Mr Jed^{h} Leathe

Constables Meſſ^{rs}: David Coollidge & Ezek^{l}: Hall

Committee of Corrospondance Safty &c { Mr Richd Clark
Mr Jed^{h} Leathe
Mr Elijah Bond
Mr Sam^{ll}: Soden
Mr Daniel Sawin

Wardens Meſſ^{r} Elka^{h}: Wales: & Eben ^{r}: Everit
Sealer of Leather m^{r} Stephen Whitney
Fence Viewers meſſ^{r} John Draper & Jonas Hastings
Surveyors of Highways Meſr^{r} Nath^{ll} Bright & Thos: Learned
Tythingmen meſſ^{s} Edmund Fowle & Jonathan Child
Hogrieves meſſ^{r} John Stimson & Phin^{s} Jeniſon
Clerks of the markets L^{ts}: Josiah Capen & Amos Bond
Surveyors of Timber &c meſſ^{rs} David Sanger & David Bemis
Howards Meſſ^{rs} Ezek^{l}: Whitney & Richard Richardſon
Choſe for Saxton Phin^{s}: Jeniſon & Granted the Sum of 20 pounds to pay him for the Service ——————
Then the Question was put whether Swine Shall Run at Large the present year & it past in ye Negative
Then the Meeting was adjourned to two O:Clock in [the] afternoon

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Afternoon The meeting being Opened they Proceeded and Chooſe for a Com^{tte}: to Examin the Treaſ^{rs}: acc^{tts} &c { Saml Fisk Esqr
m^{r}: Jed^{h} Leathe
m^{r} Saml White

Then Voted & Granted the Sum of £500 to Support ye miniſtery
Then the votes were bro^{t}: in for a County Treaſurer ————
Voted that the Committee that were last Choſen to Supply ye pulpit Continue in Said Service the year enſueing if needed ———
Voted & Granted to Support the poor the Sum of 250 Pounds
Voted & Granted to Support the Great Bridge ~ 10 pounds
Voted to keep a Grammer School the whole year. & to keep two writing Schools three months in the Winter ——
Voted & Granted 500 pounds to Support Said Schools ————

Voted that the Selectmen take care of the ministerial Place for the Present ————

Choſe for a Com^{tte}: to take care of ye School — { Thos: Pattin, Jed^{h}: Leathe, Saml Soden, Chris^{r} Grant ju^{r}, Josiah Bisco }

Voted & Granted the Sum of 500 pounds to Repair the Highways and tounways the present year. and that the price of Labour be 40/ p^{r} Day for a man & the Like Sum for a Team ————

Voted to Chooſe a Committee appriſe the peice of land near the mill-Crick and to leaſe or Sell the Same or any part thereof to the Highest Bider and any other peices that they Judge will be for the Benefit of the toun & that make Report how far they have Proceeded at the adjournment of the meeting

Voted & Choſe for Said Committe ———— { Sam^{s}: Fisk Esqr, Saml: White, Wm Hunt Esqr, David Sanger, Richd Clark }

Voted to Chooſe a Committe to Purchaſe grain for the use of the Inhabitants of the town and that they be Impowered to hire money if Need be for Said Service

Choſen for Said Committee ——— { m^{r} Jed^{h} Leathe, Lt Josiah Capen ju^{r}, m^{r} Saml: Soden, m^{r} Saml: Cook, m^{r} Daniel Parker }

The Town Creditors accounts were Read and Allowed [See] Page (201)

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Voted to Chooſe a Committe to See if they can provide a Houſe for the use of the poor and make Report of their doings at the adjournment of this meeting

Choſe for Said Committe { m^{r} Simon Hastings, m^{r} Amos Livermore, m^{r} Moſes Stone }

Then they took into Consideration the Request of John Stearnes Relating to his purchaſing his Place Again & after Debate thereon—They voted to Chooſe a Committe to Inquire into the Circumſtances thereof & to make Report at the adjournment of this meeting.—

Voted & Choſe for S^{d}: Committe — { m^{r}: Josiah Capen
m^{r} David Bemis
maj^{r} Saml Barnard
m^{r} Jed^{h}: Leathe
m^{r} Saml White }

Then they Voted to Chooſe a Committe to Joine with Such of the Inhabitants of Newton as they may think Proper, to Petition the General Court to annex them to Watertown—Voted that the Selectmen Choſen for the year enſueing be Said Commmitte ——
The Committe Appointed to enquire into the doings of the Committe Choſen to Sell the miniſterial place in the year 1755. &c made a written Report which was ordered to lie on file. also the Committe appointed to See what Peices of Common Land belonged to the town Reported Several Certain peices See the Report on file ——— Then it was Voted to adjourn the meeting to monday Next at 3 O:Clock afternoon at this place
Manual Graces Rates in Constable Simon Hastings Lists was abated at the meeting on ye 15 d of March being O : 16 : 10

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At a Publick Town Meeting held at the meeting Houſe on monday the 15th Day of march AD : 1779 by adjournment Dea^{n}: Nath^{ll}: Stone being Moderator. The meeting being opened—Mr David Coollidge moved to the town to be Excuſed from Serving Constable the present year — and the Question was put whether the Town would Excuſe him & it past in ye Negative
Mr Ezekiel Hall gave Information to the town by m^{r}: Simon Hastings that he Should not Serve as a Constable—and then the Votes were Called for a new Choice ————————
and M^{r}: Samuel Benjamin was Choſen first Constable and M^{r}: Jonathan Child was Choſen the Second Constable
Samuel Benjamin being Notified by a Constable to attend at the meeting to be Sworn but Refuſed & The town Proceeded & Choſe m^{r} Moſes Hager in his Room ————
Then a Motion was made to know the minde of the town whether they would Reconvey the Estate that was John Stearnes's to him again—
And it was Voted that if the Said John Stearnes Shall Pay the the Sum that was given for Said place when it was purchaſed with Interest for the Same from the time the purchaſe was made to the

time it is paid again together with what Charges has arifen thereon then it Shall be Conveyed to him again ————
Then voted & Chofe Mefs^res^ William Hunt Mofes Stone and Samuel Fisk Esqr for to give the Said Stearnes a Deed of the place in the Name & behalf of the town on the Conditions before mentioned-
Then the Committe Appointed to Look out for a Houfe for the poor Reported that they had viewed a Building which did not answer the purpofe — and they were Directed to look further & Report again at the adjournment ———
The Committe appointed to hire men to go into the Service in the War Reported that they had hired men for the Service to the amount of £80 : 18 : 2 and the town Voted & Granted the Same Sum. ——
Jonas White ju^r^ Sent in an Account for bringing Some Powder &c from Boston amounting to the Sum of 12/^s^ which was Voted & Granted.
Then it was Voted that the Constables Should be Collectors of Tax's, & granted them £9 pounds each for the Service - - - - - - - -
Then the meeting was adjourned to monday [*] at this place

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At a meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of m^r^ Bez^ll^ Learned on monday 15th: day of march 1779. The following Perfons were Sworn to the faithfull Discharge of the Several offices to which they were Chofen (Viz) ————
Mefs^r^. Josiah Bisco, Amos Bond & Jed^h^. Leathe Afsefsors ——
Stephen Whitney Sealer of Leather — — — — — — — — —
Jonas Hastings Fence Viewer, — Nathl Bright & Thos Learned Surveyors of Highways — Edm^d^: Fowle & Jonathan Child Tythingmen
Lt Josiah Capen Clerk of the markets. —— David Sanger & David Bemis Surveyors of Timber &c ———
Richard Richardfon Howard — all Sworn By
Jon^a^: Brown Just^s^: Peace ——

At the Said Meeting the Selectmen Signed orders on ye Treafurer to Pay the Several perfons the Several Sums Set against their Names (Viz) ————

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To David Sanger	4 : 16 : 8	To Sam^{ll}: Soden	28: 3: 0
To Saml White	2 : 2 : 8	To Jid^{h} Leathe	34: 5: 4
To Elijah Bond	2 : 2 : 8	To Sam^{ll} Barnard	6: 18: 0
To David Bemis	4 : 2 : 8	To Richd Clark	3: 11: 0
To Josiah Capen	2 : 2 : 8	To Nathan Coollidge	10: 7: 10
To Richd Leathe	2 : 16 : 0	To wid^{o} Vila	35: 14: 0
To Hugh Maſon	3 : 1 : 8	To Beth^{h}: Hackleton	23: 8: 0
To Seth Norcroſs	0 : 10 : 0	To John Sawin	15: 12: 0
To John Draper	2 : 12 : 0	To Eliſha Learned	6 : 0: 0
To Saml Fisk	4 : 16 : 0	To Thos: Learned	5: 18: 6
To Josiah Bisco	4 : 16 : 0	To David Sanger	13: 4: 0
To Jon^{a} Brown	10 : 16 : 0	To Amos Livermore	13: 10: 0
To Simon Hastings	6 : 0 : 0	To John Stratton	54: 0: 0
To Moſes Coollidge	3 : 0 : 0	To m^{r} Wight	40: 0: 0
To Nathl Bright	3 : 0 : 0	To John Remington ju-	36: 0: 0
	£56 : 15 : 0		£326: 11: 8

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{r} Bez^{ll}: Learned on ye 17 Day of march AD 1779
They Settled m^{rs}: Silence Adams's account and allowed £44: 10— ſhillings & Signed an order on the Toun Treaſurer to pay Said Sum to m^{rs}: Adams in full of the Same acc^{tt}- - - - at this meeting they Signed Orders on ye Treaſ^{r} [to p]ay the Several Sums hereafter mentioned

(Viz)

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To the following Perſons the Sum affixt to his name which was granted for to make good the Counterfit money Received for the use of the town (Viz)

Jed^{h}: Leathe	10 : 0 : 0	Counterfit money
Saml: Barnard	8 : 0 : 0	
Jon^{a}: Brown	1 : 10 : 0	
John Draper	5 : 6 : 0	
David Sanger	6 : 10 : 0	
	£31: 6 : 0	

also the Sum of £43: 16: to the following Perſons for their Expence of m^{r}: Adams's Funeral (Viz) ————

To m^{r} David Bemis	19 : 16 : 0
to m^{r}: Jed^{h} Leathe	24 : 0 : 0

to m^{r}: Simon Hastings	1 : 0 : 0
	44 : 16 : 0

And an order to Pay the following Perſons their Several accounts for Labour at the Great Bridge (Viz) —

To John Cook	0 : 9 : 6
to Daniel Cook	2 : 5 : 0
to ye Selectmen for last year	1 : 0 : 0
	£3 : 14 : 6

At a Publick Town Meeting held at the meeting Houſe on Monday the 22^{d}: Day of March AD: 1779 ———
Dea^{n}: Nathl: Stone being moderator — — — — — — — — — —
M^{r}: David Coollidge was Excuſed from Serving Constable by paying £15 pounds which was voted & accepted as his turn
M^{r}: Oliver m^{n}. Roe was Choſen Warden & Sworn ————
M^{r}: Eben^{r}: Stetſon was Choſen a Clerk of the Market
M^{r}: William Leathe was Choſen Hogrieve & Sworn
L^{t}: William Warrin was Choſen Fence Viewer & Sworn
Voted & Choſe m^{r}: Eben^{r}: Everit Constable & was Sworn
Choſe m^{r}: Moſes Coollidge to be Constable to Serve in the Room of m^{r} Jonathan Child—and m^{r} Coollidge was Sworn

Choſe Inſpectors of the Market { M^{r}: Joel White
Mr Wm Warrin
Mr Josiah Capen ju^{r}

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Voted that the Committe appointed to Sell or leaſe the Land Near the mill-Crick proceed to Sell the Same to the Highest Bider—and that it be put up in two or more Lott — — — — — — — —
Voted that the Selectmen be Directed to Improve the miniſterial place in Such manner as they think will be most for the Advantage of the town
Voted that the Neceſsary Expence of the Selectmen while they are in the actual Service of the town be Borne by the town be Borne by the town

Middleſex ſs April ye 7th: 1779 Then Jonathan Brown Esqr Appeared & was Sworn to the offices of Town-Clerk & Town-Treaſurer

Before me Jonas Dix Justice of Peace

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 17th day of may 1779 at the House of mr: Bezl: Learned they agreed to have a Publick town meeting at the meeting House on Monday the 24 day of this Inſtant may at two O:Clock afternoon to Chooſe one or more Repreſentatives for the year Enſueing and alſo to have an other meeting at three O:Clock afternoon the Same day & at the Same place to tranſact Town affairs &c —— (Viz) To Chooſe A Moderator (2) To Consider a Reſolve of the General Court for forming a new Constitution or Form of Government, and to act thereon as the town Shall See Proper — (3) To know the minde of the town whether the town will lease out the Fiſhery in the town and to act any thing Relating thereto that may be thought Proper. —

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(4) To know the minde of the town whether they will do any thing Relating to the Hay-Market and do and act anything thereon as they Judge Proper. ————

(5) To Agree upon ways & means to Raiſe Soldiers for the Publick Service when Called upon by lawfull Authority ———

(6) To Confirm a town-way to mr: Chisr Grant upon Such terms as was formerly agreed upon, and to do anything thereon yt may be thought Neceſsary (7) To know the minde of ye town whether they will grant any further Sum to Support Schools and to Agree upon Some proper places for keeping ye Schools make Such Neceſsary Rules for Regulating the Same as may be thought Proper — (8) To hear the Report of any Committees that have been Appointed to any Perticular Services and to act thereon as they See fitt —— (9) To appropriate any Sums of money that has Ariſen by Sale of Lands or otherwiſe, as may be thought Proper — (10) To know the minde of the town whether they will Sell or leaſe any perticular peices of land or other Priviledges near the Great Bridge and to Act thereon as they think Best —— (11) To know ye whether the town will pay for the Repairs of the wido Goddards fence and to do what they think Proper thereon ———

Warrants were Issued to the Several Constables for said Purpoſes Dated May ye 17 . 1779. Pr Order of ye Selectmen

Jona: Brown Town Clerk

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Representative Regularly Aſsembled at ye Publick meeting House in s^{d}: town on Monday ye 24th Day of may AD: 1779. Jonathan Brown Esqr: was Choſen to Represent the town in the General Court the year enſueing — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
At a Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote Regularly Aſsembled at the Meeting House in S^{d}: town on the : 24th Day of may AD : 1779 — — —
Voted & Choſe M^{r}: Sam^{ll}: White Moderator ———
They took into Consideration a Reſolve of the Gen^{ll}: Court Relating to a new Constitution or Form of Government and after Debate thereon the Question was Put Whether they Chuse at this time to have a New Constitution or Form of Government made & it Past in ye Negative twenty being againt it but three for it then the Second Question mentioned in s^{d} Reſolve was Put and it Paſsed in the Negative ———
Then the article Relating to the Fiſhery was Read and Considered — and they voted to Chooſ a Committe to Examin & See if the town have Power to let the Fiſhery & if So then to Leaſe it out for one year but if otherwiſe then to petition the General Court in the name & behalf of the town for to be Impowered by law to let it for the benefitt of the town, Voted & Chooſe for s^{d}: Committe Samuel Fisk & Jonathan Brown Esquires and m^{r} Richard Clark ————
The article Relating to ye Hay-market was Read & Considered & m^{r}: Joseph Hay was Choſen weigher of Hay for the Present ——
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Then they voted to Chooſe a Committe to hire men to go into the Service when Called for ———

Voted & Choſe for S^{d}: Committe ——— { m^{r} Moſes Stone, m^{r} Sam^{ll} White, Lt Amos Bond }

Voted to Chooſe a Committe with full power in the name & behalf of the town to give m^{r} Chris^{r}: Grant a Deed of the town way formerly agreed for he Performing the Conditions then Agreed to — Voted & Choſe for S^{d}: Committe Jon^{a}: Brown Esqr
Then they Considered the article Relating to ye School and Voted that it be a moveing School ————————

Voted that the Committe Divide the money & time of the School in the three Several parts of the town according to the grant. —— the 8th article being Read two Committes made Report of their doing which were Voted & Accepted (Viz) ———
on the Treafurers Accounts as followeth (viz) —
We the Subscribers being Appointed to Examin the Treafurers Acc^{tts}: have attended that Service, and find Said Accounts Well Vouch,t and Right Cast ————
Watertown May 21st. 1779.

Sam^{ll}: Fisk
Jed^{h}. Leathe
Saml White

(2^{ly} The Com^{tte} Appointed by the town to make Sale of any peices of Land belonging to the town that might be Spared Beg leave to Report as followeth (Viz)
Your Com^{tte} on the 29th. of march last Sold to m^{r}: Daniel Parker a Small peice of Land Near m^{r}: Pattins Shop for £221 —— and on the fifth Day of April following they Sold a Small peice of Land Near Mr Remingtons Corn Mill to m^{r}: Thomas Learned for ——— 220 ———

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The Expence of the Com^{tte} at Sundry meetings and the Sales above-mentioned ——— 16

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(9th) Article Read & they voted & Appropriated the Said Sum of £425 Pounds the Neat Produce of the afore-s^{d}: Sales for to help towards the Supplying the Pulpit
Then the tenth Article being Read Relating to the Selling or leasing Lands Near the Bridge & it was Voted that the Committe Appointed on the 8th day of March last for Like Purpofes Proceed in Selling or Leasing Such peices of Land or priviledges Near Said Bridge as may Conveniently be Spared, in Such manner as may be most beneficial to the town
(11) article being Read Relating to the paying for the Repairs of the wid^{o} Godards fence — and they voted to Choofe a Committe to inquire into the affair & make Report at the Next meeting ——

Voted & Chofe for S^{d}: Com^{tte} { Saml: Fisk Esqr: m^{r} Edwd: Richardfon m^{r}: Jonas White

Then the Meeting was Defolved ———

At a meeting of ye Selectmen at m^{r}: Bez^{l} Learneds on monday the 31th day of may 1779. They Agreed to give the Surveyors of Highways their Destricts as follows (Viz) To m^{r} Thomas Learned the Westerly Destrict (Viz) all ye Roads West of the way that Leads from the meeting House over the hill North to Cambridge line on both Sides of the River in Watertown, & under the Rocks from ye wid^{o} Sarah Clarks Barrs Westward to Waltham line ——— and to Nathl: Bright the East Deftrict The Road from the meeting House North over the Hill to Cambridge line and under the Rocks to the wid^{o} Sarah Clarks Barrs together with all the Roads in Watertown east of ye first mentioned Road — They were given to them [accor]dingly

P Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

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At a meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 28th day of June 1779 at m^{r}: Bezaleel Loarneds They Agreed to Call a Publick Town-Meeting to be held at the meeting House on Wednesday the Seventh day of July Next at 4 O Clock afternoon for the following Purpofes (Viz) First to Choofe a Moderator for the meeting— (2^{ly}) To conider & adopt any meafures for Appretiation of the Currency and to act any thing thereon that they may Judge Necefsary & proper (3^{ly}) To see if the town will give any Inftruction or Directions to their Committe of Corrofpondance who are Invited to meet in Convention at Concord on the 14th: Day of July next for the abovesaid Purpofes and to act any thing thereon they See fit (4^{ly}) To know the minde of the town whether they will Come into any meafures for the Settleing a Gospel minister and to act thereon as they think Proper. (5^{ly}) For the town to Grant and order the Afsefsing the monies that have been paid for Raising Soldiers and to act theron as they See fitt —— (6^{ly}) To hear the Reports of any Committees that have been Chofen by the town & act thereon as they See fitt ———

Warrants were Issued June ye 30th. 1779

P^{r} order of ye Selectmen ———

Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at the meeting Houſe on Wednesday ye 7th. Day of July AD 1779 they Voted & Choſe Dea^n: Nathaniel Stone Moderator ——
The article being Read relating to taking Meaſures for the Appreciating the Currency as Recommended by the Inhabitants of Boston & other Places after Considering the Same. They voted to Chooſe a Com^tte. to Consider ye Same and Report what is Proper to be don thereon & Repo[rt] as Soon as may be

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Voted & Choſe for S^d: Committe Sam^ll: Fisk & Wm Hunt Esq^rs: m^r David Sanger m^r: Sam^ll: Cook & Jonathan Brown
Then Voted that Said Committe Sit emediately. who Proceeded & Cosidered the matter & in about one Hours time Returned & made the following Report (Viz)
We the Inhabitants of Watertown in Town meeting aſsembled July ye 7th. 1779 Taking into our Serious Consideration the Critical Scituation of our Publick affairs, and the Reſolutions heretofore Taken by our Delegates in Congreſs. Plighting our faith & Sacred Honour that we would Support with our lives & Fortunes the Independancy of the united States of America, and also Conſidering the great Depreciation of our currency (which Neceſsarily emitted by Congreſs, for the Expreſs purpoſe of procuring to us and our Posterity peace liberty & Safty) Occationed by the enormous riſe of every article of Conſumtion both foreign & Domiſtick the riſe of which is princeple to be attributed to those enimies of our Country who have Monopolized the Same, for the Preventing of which abuses (and in order to do Justice to those Sons of of Freedom who have nobly dar'd to face our Enemy in the field, and who for the Sake of their Posterity, & that they might again pertake of the Bleſsings of Citizens have for a time put on the armour of war & become Soldiers) many of the Capitol Towns of ye united States have been adopting modes of economy and Regulating the prices of many Articles of life both Forign & Domiſtick, which will have a Natural tendancy to Appretiate our currency. —— Therefore in Conformity to So laudable Examples, & in order to further aſsiſt our Bretheren in the Mercantile Part of the Community in their late worthy Reſolutions to lower the Prices of Such foreign Marchandize as may Come to their hands for [*]

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Do hereby Vote & Reſolve (1ly) That we highly approve of the late Reſolutions of the Merchants of the Town of Boston else where in this State, and also of the doings of the Said Town of Boston and their purpoſal for Calling a Convention at Concord in the County of middleſex on the 14th: Day of this Inſtant July for the purpoſe of Deviſeing ways & means for lowering the prices of all the Neceſsary articles of life both foreign & Domiſtick. and for the effectually Appreciating our Currency — (2ly) Voted that the town will by their Committee meet at Concord on the 14th of July Inſtant for the purpoſe afore Said. —— (3ly) Voted That in order to Cooperate forthwith with the Merchants in their Glorious attempt for the lowering the prices of every Neceſsary of life, it is Reſolved that the produce of our Reſpective Farms Shall not advance in price in the least Degree from what they now are upon Condition the late Reſolution of the Merchants Reſpecting forign Articles ſhall Continue but the Same ſhall lower in the Same Proportion as forign articles do, and that we will use our utmost exertions yt: the Several Machanicks in this Town lower in Like Proportion — and in order that this Vote be Carried into Compleat Execution, Voted (4ly) That a Committee of Seven be Choſen whoſe buſineſs it Shall be to ascertain as Nearly as may be, the prices of forign & Domiſtick articles and to Determin what proportion they ought in equity to bear each to the other, and publiſh their doings monthly and Cause the Same to be posted up at the Meeting Houſe and other places of Publick Reſort in this Town, which Shall Regulate the prices of all the Articles Mentioned in Said Notification for the time therein Specified: and if any perſon or perſons Shall be So lost to all Sence of honour, love of their Country, or their own Interest as to Violate in the least Degree the true Intent & meaning of this Reſolution, by Selling their produce at a higher price than Establi.hed by Said Committee from time to [time]

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Said Perſon or Perſons So offending Shall be deemed enemies to their Country and Cryed as Such by the Town-Clerk for Six months after at every Publick meeting of the Town. This Reſolution to hold good & Voted untill the State at large ſhall have Adopted ſome permanant mode of Regulating the Same — (5ly) Voted that the Selectmen be directed without loſs of time to Transmit Copies of the proceeding of this meeting to the

towns of Newton & Waltham praying them to adopt Some Such method, in order that we may be mutually Afsifting in the only Feazable way pofsiable that we can think of (for the Appreciating our Currency and thereby Rendering our Independancey Sure & Secureing to us and our Posterrity Peace, Liberty, and Safty ———

Saml: Fisk Pr Order of ye Committe

The foregoing Report being Read by Parragraphs was Voted & Accepted —— Then Voted & Chofe the following Perfons to be a Committee for ye purpofes Mentioned in the foregoing Refolves (Viz) ——

Saml: Fisk & W^{m}. Hunt Esq^{rs}: Mifs^{rs}: Saml Cook, Daniel Parker, Simon Whitney, Amos Bond, and Samuel White, ————

Voted that the Com^{tte} of Corrofpondance be fernifhed with a Copy of the Proceedings of the meeting to Carry to Concord. ——

Voted that the meeting with the Remaining businefs be Adjourned to monday ye 26th Inftant 4: O:Clock afternoon in this place —

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At a Legal Publick Town meeting held at the meeting House on monday the 26th: Day of July 1779 by Adjournment. The Town being Informed that Dea^{n}: Nathl Stone the moderator being unable to attend the meeting. They Voted & Choofe Samuel Fisk Esqr: moderator in his Room ———

Then the Refolves &c: of the Convention lately held at Concord were Read and after Debate thereon the Question was put whether the town do accept and approve of the Same and it Past in the affirmative unanimously —— Then they voted to Choofe a Committe of Seven perfons to regulate & Settle the Prices of Such Articles as may be thought Proper ———

Voted & Chofe for S^{d}: Committe

Saml: Fisk Esqr
m^{r} Saml White
m^{r} Daniel Parker
m^{r} Richard Clark
m^{r} Jedi^{h} Leathe
Lt Josiah Capen
m^{r}: Thos: Pattin
m^{r} Phin^{s} Jenifon
m^{r}: Saml Cook

They voted & added the two last to the Committe ————

Then voted to adjourn the meeting with the remaining businefs to Fryday Next two O: Clock afternoon to meet in this Place which was Accoordingly don ————

At a Publick Town Meeting held at the meeting Houſe on Fryday the 30th Day of July AD. 1779 by adjournment Samll Fisk Esqr: being Moderator. The meeting being opened. the 4th article being Read Voted not to act any thing thereon — The 5th & Sixth articles being Read the Comtte: for Raiſing Soldiers Reported the Expence attending the Raiſing men for Rhoad. Island & the Continential army amounting to £ 3226″ [*] which was Voted
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& accepted .See the Report on [file]

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Then the Committe Appointed to Build a Pound Reported the Charge they had been at in performing the Said Service amounting to the Sum of £ 124 : 19 : 8 which Report was Voted & accepted (See the Report on file)
Then they voted to Chooſe a Committe of five perſons to Consider & Report what Sums of money will be proper to Aſseſs at this time

Voted & Choſe for Sd: Committe
- Wm. Hunt Esqr:
- Lt Amos Bond
- Saml Fisk Esqr
- Jona: Brown Esqr
- Lt Josiah Capen

Voted that the Several Collectors of Tax's that have not Compleated their Collections & Settled their accounts be Directed to Report to the town at their next meeting ye names of the Several Perſons who have not paid their tax's with the Sums they Still owe. ————————

Then the Committe for Settleing the prices of Produce of labour &c made Report. which is as follows (Viz) ————

Watertown July ye 30th. 1779 —

The Committe Appointed by the town of Watertown, at a Meeting of Said town on the 26 Instt: in Compliance with the 5th Reſolve of the Convention at Concord on the 14th of July Inſt: being met & being Sensiable of the Importance of the Buſineſs Committed to them. the great Neceſsity of its being Compleated and the Accuracy Required in fixing the prices of ye articles of Conſumation in a due Proportion Proceeded with utmost Care & Deliberation to Compleat the Same, but finding it Impoſsiable to extend to every Article in each Branch, were under the Neceſsity of Including many of them under the General Term of all

other Articles in the usual Proportion the bad Conſequences which might attend Such General Regulation they hope is Prevented in a Succeeding Reſolve, in which they beg leave to Report —— Reſolved That from & after the 10th Day of augt: Next — — The following articles of marchandize Country Produce Labour [*] addition to articles Stated by the Convention at

Concord

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Concord on the 14th of July Inſt: be not Sold at a higher price, nor Charged more for, in this Town or elswhere, by any Perſon or perſons belonging to this Town, than is hereafter affixt. to them, Except Hay & Milk in Boston Market (Viz)

Prices Regulating the Innholders ———

A Dinner 18/ Horſe keeping P night 17/ Oats P Pottle 5/ — Punch P Bowle 30/ W- tn/ Flip P mug 12/ W. I Tody P Bowle 12/ Yoak of Oxen P Night at Engliſh Hay — 18/ ———

Tanner ———

Sole Leather P m: . . 20/
Curried Calf Skins Single equal to 6th Sole Leather
all other articles in the uſual Proportion ———

Labour ———

a man P Day find himſelf 60/
a man P Day & found . . 40/

Teaming ———

P mile not Exceeding 90 miles out P Ton ——— 18/-
man & Team P Day finding themſelves } £5 : 10
man & Team found P day found £4-

Shoemaker ———

mens best Shoes Pr Pair £ 6
Womens best do- 4 : 10
all other articles in the usual Proportion ———

Blackſmith ———

Narrow axe 7 : 10 —
Shoeing a horſe
Round with Refined } 5 : 0 —
Iron & Steel
Shoeing oxen in ye
Same manner —— } 10 : 0 —
all other articles in the uſual Proportion ——

Mechanicks finding themſelves

Pr Day - - - - - - - - - 72/
do & found ——— 52/

Sadler

a best Hogskin Sadle Compleat £ 70
a best Double Run'd Curbed Bridle — 12—
a best Single Run'd do- 6
All other articles in the uſual Proportion ———

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Leather Dreſser ——
best Sheeps Wool P B/ 22/6
best Waſh[d] Leather
Dreſsed Sheepskins } 56/3
Single — —
all other articles in the usual Proportion ————

Taylor ———
making a mans best worked Coat £ 8
d° a d° waistcoat d° 4
d° a d° Breeches d° 4
all other articles in the uſual Proportion

Boating from Boston ——
P Boat Load - - - £ 18″15 —
P hogſhead - - 25/———
P[r] barril - - - 7/6———
Barber — Shaving 3/ o[ther] articles in the uſual Propor-[tion]

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Weaver ————
For weaving 7/8 Cotton & linnen Cloth
P Yard @ 6/3
d° yard wide Tow @ 6/3
5/4 all Wool d° 9/—
all other articles in the uſual Proportion

Joiner ————
Common Mehogony Desk £ 20
d° Round top Case Drawers £ 130
d° 4 feet Table £ 27
all other articles in the uſual Proportion ————

Hatter ————
best beaver Hatt £ 40
best Felt d° 4—
all other Articles in the uſual Proportion ———

Potter ————
Quart mugs P[r] Doz[n] 50/
d° Single " " 5/
all other articles in the uſual Proportion ————

Currier
Curring Calf Skins 24/—
d° a Hide £ 4—
all other articles in the uſual Proportion ———

Tallown Chandler
Candles P pound 18/
hard Soap B 10/
Soap P Barril £ 15

Butcher
Raw Hides P B 3/
Raft Tallow p[r] B 9/—

Flax p[r] B 12/ Pota[s] p[r] peck- 12/
milk p[r] Quart 2/ Oats p[r]
Buſhel 48/
Barley p[r] Buſhel £ 4 : 10——
Malt p[r] d° £ 4 : 10——
£ 130

Horſe hire p[r] mile 5/ Chaiſe hire p[r] mile 5/ ———
all Articles of European Manufactures at the Same Rates that

they Shall be affixed to them by the Town of Boston. ————
Refolved. 2d: That a Committe of Infpection be Chofe & Directed to See that the Proceedings of the Convention at Concord. & of this Town be carried into the most Rigid & Effectual Execution ————
Refolved 3d: That Should any Perfon dare to ask more for any article, than the Proportion commonly known to be between Such articles, & those in the Same Branch, whose Prices are here fixed, the Committe of

Infpection

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Infpection Shall be Authorifed & Directed to affix Such price to that article as they Shall find to be in Proportion to those already Fixed, and any Perfon exceeding the Price so fixed, on any article Shall be Subject to the Same Penalty as if he had Violated the Proceeding of the Convention at Concord. ————
Refolved 4th:
That Should the Committe of Infpection or either of them Neglect to carry into the moft Rigid & Effectual Execution The proceedings of the Convention at Concord and of this town he or they offending Shall be Considered as not having the Faith & Confidence of the Town, & unworthy to Serve it in any Capacity hereafter ————
Signed by Order of the Committe Saml: Fisk Chairman
The foregoing Report being Read & Considered it was Voted to accept the Same

Voted & Chofe for a Comtt: of Infpection
- Mr Jedih Leathe
- Major Saml Barnard
- Wm Hunt Esqr
- Capt Abner Craft
- Mr David Bemis
- Mr Richard Clark
- Mr Daniel Parker

Then the town Voted and Refolved further (Viz)
That the Committe of Infpection be Directed to Transmitt to the Towns of Newton, Waltham, Westown, Sudbury, Natick, Sheurburn & needham a Copy of the Proceedings of this town Inclofing the Same in a Letter to the Selectmen of the Several towns abovenamed Requesting that the Proceeding aforesaid be laid before each Town at their meeting to Carry into Execution the Proceedings of the Convention at Concord, & in Such of thofe Towns as hav[e] had a meeting for that Purpofe, to lay the Same

befo[re] the Committe Chofen to Compleat said proceed[ings]

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That there may be as great an agreement in the Prices of the Several Articles Fixed, as the Situation of each Town will admit of. on which Agreement we Conceive will depend the greates force for carring the whole into Execution. — — — — ————
Refolved That whenever the Committe of Infpection or either of them Shall arreft any perfon who Shall or may be Suppofed to have Violated the Proceedings of the Convention or of this town in order that ye Suppofed Transgrefsion may be Regularly enquired into and any Controve^r^fy or Oppofition is made by ye Suppofed Transgresor or in Case he Neglects to give information refpecting his Place of abode, or Refufes to answer to Such Questions as may be asked him by Said Committe or either of them, in every Such Case Said Committe or either of them are to Call upon and order every or any Inhabitant to afsift in Secureing the perfon thus offending in order that he be Proceeded with Agreable to the Refolution of Said Convention, — and if any Inhabitant of the town Shall Refufe or Neglect to Aid & afsift Said Committe or either of them, when thus Called upon, he or they Shall Suffer the like Punifhment as is provided for the Committe upon Neglect of their Duty as aforesaid, both of which offences are to Inftantly enquired of by the Town upon Complaint to the Selectmen ———
Then the meeting was Defolved ————

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At a meeting of ye Selectmen on the 16th day of aug^t^: AD 177[illegible] at the Houfe of m^r^: Bezaleel Learned ———
They Agreed to Call a Publick town meeting to be at the meeting Houfe on monday the 23th: Inftant at 3 O: Clock afternoon to Choofe Delegates or Delegates to meet at Cambridge in Convention the First day of Sepr. next in order to Form a New Constitution or Form of Government. —— also to Choofe a Delegate or Delegates to meet at Concord the First Wednesday of Oct^r^: Next in order Further to Regulate the prices of things &c: and to give Such Inftructions to Such Delegates as may be Chofen as may be thought Proper —— and to Choofe a Moderator
(2) To hear the Reports of any Committes that have been appointed for any perticular purpofes, and to act thereon as may

be thought proper — (3) To hear the pleas for abateing any perticular perſons Rates, and act thereon as they See fit —— (4) To make Such further Grants of money for Supporting Preaching or further Releif of the poor or any other Neceſsary Charges as may be thought best — (5) To hear the accounts of any perſons the Town is indebted to & Grant money to pay the Same (6) For ye town to Consider what is proper to be don for the Repairing and widning the Great Bridge, and to Act thereon as may be thought Proper (7) & Lastly to act on any other matters that Appear Neceſsary ————

Warrants were Issued out accordingly

Pr Jon^a: Brown Town Clerk

At the aboveSaid Meeting they appointed a Meeting of the Selectmen of Weston & Waltham to adjust the Charge of the Great Bridge the Last year to meet at m^r Sam^ll Wellingtons in Waltham on the 26th Inſtant 3 o: Clock afternoon. Letters were Sent to the Selectmen of Sai[d] towns P order of ye Selectmen

J Brown Town [Clerk]

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at the Meeting House in S^d town on monday ye 23^d Day of August AD 1779 — Voted and Choſe Samuel Fisk Esqr: moderator ———

Then it was Voted to Chooſe two perſons to Repreſent the Town in the Convention to be held at Cambridge. Then the votes were Called for one & it Appeared that Samuel Fisk Esqr: was Choſen- Then ye votes were Called for one other and it Appeared that Jonathan Brown Esqr: was Choſen ————

Then it was Voted to Chooſe two perſons to attend the Convention at Concord to Repreſent the Town ————

Voted & Choſe M^r: Saml: White & M^r: Richard Clark

Then the Committe of Inſpection made a Repreſentation of the doings of M^r: Samuel Cook for a Suppoſed Violation of the Orders of the Convention which after Debate thereon it was Voted to put of the further Consideration thereof to the adjournment of the Meeting. ——— Then the meeting was adjourned to the Second Day of Sep^r: Next at this place at 4: O:Clock afternoon —

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston, and Waltham on the 25th Day of Aug^t: AD 1779 — at the Houſe of M^r: Samuel Wellington in Waltham They adjusted: & Proportioned

& Signed the accounts for Repairing the Great Bridge in Watertown which had Arifen Since the last Adjustment the whole amounting to the Sum of ——— £ 112″ 8″0

Watertowns Part of Said Sum being	39″ 18 : 9—3
Westons d° ———	37″ 19 : 6 : 3
Walthams d° ———	34 : 9 : 7 : 2
	112 : 8 : 0 : 0

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At a Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Afsembled at the Meeting Houfe on Thursday the 2d Day of Sepr; AD. 1779 ——— By Adjournment. Saml: Fisk Esqr: being Moderator ———
They took into Consideration the Reprefentation made by the Committe of Infpection Relating to mr: Samuel Cooks Suppofed violation of the Refolves of the Convention Lately held at Concord and after Consideration of the matter the Question was put whether it is the minde of the Town that mr: Samuel Cook has don any thing in Violation of ye Refolves of Said Convention & it Pafsed in the Negative Unanimously
Then Voted that the Committe aforeSaid Publifh the doings of the town in favour of mr Cook ———
Then mr Jedih: Leathe Presented an account for Money he Paid Samuel Benjamin for Carting amounting to the Sum of £30 : 4—0 which was allowed and Granted
mr Thomas Pattin brot: an account Repairs &c of the School House amounting to £ 32 : 11 . 0 which was Objected to and it was Voted that the Selectmen Settle the Matter as they Judge Just & Right. ———
Then the meeting was Adjourned to monday the 13th Infitant at 2 O: Clock afternoon at this place ———

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the Sixth Day of Sepr 1779 at mrs Dorothy Coollidges They Approved of mesfrs Edward Richardfon and John Bullard & mrs: Dorothy Coollidge being licenced for Taveners & mefsr Amos Bond, David Bemis, Abner Craft, Saml Cook, mary Cockran & Daniel Parker to be Retailors & Recommended mr Bullard & mr Parker for that Purpofe

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At this meeting orders were Signed on the Treafurer to pay the

Sum of £ 34 : 16 ″ 9 to mr Nathan Coollidge in full of his account the last year, and alſo to pay the Sum of £ 115 : 8 : 0 for the Repairs of the Bridge the year past in the following Manner (Viz)

To David Sanger ———	6 ″ 0 ″ 0
To Francis Brown ———	8 ″ 10 : 0
To Simon Hastings ———	7 ″ 0 ″ 0
To Wm Leathe ———	0 ″ 18 ″ 0
To Jonas Harrington jr	90 ″ 0 ″ 0
For Expences in Settleing	3 ″ 0 ″ 0
	£ 115 ″ 8 ″ 0

At a Publick Town Meeting on the 13th Day of Sepr AD 1779 held at the meeting House by Adjournment Saml Fisk Esqr: being moderator. They Proceeded Fifth article being Read Mr Richard Clark brot: an account for Service in Convention amounting to £ 21 : 4 : 6

also mr Jedih Leathe for Do. ——— 21 : 4 : 6

Which was allowed & Granted — — — — — — — — — — —

Then Several Lists of Rates which has not been Collected were Read and it was Voted that the Collectors Proceed to Collect their Rates within two months from this time and make up their account with the Treaſurer Voted that if the Collectors or Constables do not make up their Accounts within two Months the Treaſurer Shall Send out Executions against all Delinquent Collectors without Delay ———

the following accounts were Voted allowed & Granted (Viz)

To Capt Phins Stearnes for Service in the War	£45 : 0 : 0
To Lt: Amos Bond for Do ———	22 : 12 : 0
	67 : 12 : 0
Granted ——— Leathe to pay ———	0 : 0 : 0

Voted that Comtt: Report the names of the officers that have don Service in the War which have had no Grant

Choſe for a Comtte Meſs ——— Parker David Bemis [Jon]a. Brown Esqr ——— Clark & * Bond

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Voted that all the Grants that have been made for Soldiers & other Services Should be Aſseſt all which ammount to the Sum of £ 3468 : 19 : 9 ———

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Voted to Choofe a Committe to Consider & Report what is proper to be don Relating to the Repairing and Widening the Great Bridge & to make Report

Voted & Chofe for S^{d}: Com^{tte} { Mr Dainel Parker
Mr David Bemis
Jon^{a}: Brown Esqr
Wm Hunt Esqr
m^{r} Saml White
m^{r} Richd Clark
Lt Amos Bond }

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 12th day of October 1779 at the House of m^{r} Bez^{ll}: Learned they agreed to have a town meeting on the 14 day of this Inftant month of Oct^{r}: at 3 O: Clock afternoon at the meeting House. To agree upon Some way to Raife nine men to go into the Publick Service Agreable to the Order of the General Court ——— also to take Some Proper Meafures for filling up Watertowns Proportion of the Continential Army. and to Grant Such Sums of money as may be thought Necefsary for Said Services, & to act any thing Relating to the Same that may be thought Necefsary & proper —

At a Publick Town Meeting held at the Meeting Houfe in Watertown on Wednesday ye 14th day of Oct^{r}: AD 1779 for the purpofes Setforth in the Warrant for the Meeting
Voted & Chofe Wm Hunt Esqr: Moderator of the Meeting
Then voted to Raife a Sum of money to hire men for the Service in the War. ——— Voted & Granted £ 1500 pounds for Said Service and voted that it be Afsefsed emediately
Voted that it be paid into the Treafury by monday next 6 : O Clock afternoon — Then Voted that Mifi^{rs} David Bemi[s &] David Sanger be of the Committe in the Room Saml Whi[te and] Amos Bond who are Excufed for the Present ———

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on the 22^{d}: Day of Novr AD 1779 at m^{r} Bezaleel Learneds. They Signed an order on the Town-Treafurer to pay £ 84 : 19 : 8 to m^{r} Mofes Stone & others for Building the pound. & also to pay the Several Sums which ye Committe for hiring men &c: have given their Obligations for, and to pay m^{r} Caleb Gannett £ 60 pounds for two days Supplying the Pulpit. ————————————

Mr Josiah Sanderſon gave in a Notification for Suſanna Wilton which he had Rec^{d} into his Family and Mr David Bemis gave in one Relating to Sarah Fuller he Received into his Family (See the Notification on file) ————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 10th Day of Dec^{r}: 1779 at the House of Mr Bez^{ll}: Learned They Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay m^{r} R Roswell Eliot £ 240 pounds for Six Days Preaching — They also Agreed to have a publick Town meeting at the Meeting Houſe on monday ye 20 Inſtant at one O:Clock afternoon to act on the following articles (Viz) First to Chooſe a moderator for the meeting — (2) To Grant money to Supply the Pulpit & to act any thing Relating thereto the town may think proper —— (3) To grant money to Support Schools & to act any thing proper to be don Relating thereto ———— the town may thing Proper — (4) To give Inſtructions to their Delegates that belong to the Convention Relating to their Conduct at the Next meeting of that Body (5) To know whether they will abate any perſons Rates and to act thereon as they See fitt. (6) To hear the Reports of any Committees and to act thereon as they See proper. (7) To act on any other matters that then may be thought Neceſsary. ——— Warrants were Issued to the Constables Accordingly By order of ye Selectmen

Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston, and Waltham on the 13th Day of December AD 1779 at the Houſe of L^{t}: Wm Hager in Waltham they adjusted & Proportioned the Charge that had ariſen for the Repairs of the Great Bridge in Watertown Since the Last Adjustment the whole amounting to the Sum of £ 148 : 0 : 0 ———

Watertowns part of s^{d}: Sum being	52 : 11 : 10
Weston's d^{o} being	50 : 0 : 2
Waltham s d^{o} being	45 : 8 : 0
	148 : 0 : 0

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly aſsembled at the Publick meeting House in Said town on Monday the 20th Day of Dec^{r}: AD: 1779. ——

Voted & Choſe Samuel Fisk Esqr: Moderator ————

Then Voted & Granted £ 1000 pounds to Supply the Pulpit ——

Voted that three Schools be kept for the Present (Viz) one at each School Houſe ————
Then Voted & Granted £ 750 pounds to hire Schooling ———
Voted that the money be Equally Divided at the three Schools —
Voted & Granted £ 300 pounds to Supply fire-Wood for the Schools —
Then it was voted that only one of the Delegates that were appointed to attend the Convention Should attend at a time at the Next Seſsion Except on the time of Paſsing on the whole Form ——— Then the meeting was Deſolved ————
The Same day the Selectmen Signed an order on the Town-Treaſurer to pay the Perſons afternamed the Sums affixt to their Names Viz

For Repairs of ye Great Bridge	To Wm Chenery	4 : 10——
	to Saml White	4 : 10——
	to David Sanger	4 : 10——
	to Amos Livermore	4 : 1*
	to mrſ Dorothy Coolidge	12 : *
		£ 30 *

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 17th Day of January AD 1780 at the House of m^r^: Bezaleel Learned They Signed orders on the Treaſurer to pay the following Sums (Viz) to the School Committe to pay m^r^ Lane & others for Board &c the Sum of £ 310 : 0 : 0
also to pay Said Com^tte^ for the Repairs of ye House 32 : 11 : 0
and to Pay m^r^ Jedidiah Leathe the Sum of which he paid Samuel Benjamin for Carting } 30 : 4 : 0
and also an order to Pay or Order ye payment of the Sums the Inhabitants have worked out in Mending the Highways &c ————————
and to pay m^r^ Chris^r^: Grant ju^r^ for Collecting —— 3 : 0 —
to Amos Bond for Like Service ———— 3 : 0 —
to Eben^r^ Everit for Like Service in 1779 ———— 9 : 0 —
to Moſes Coollidge for d^o^ the Same year ——— 9 : 0 —
to Phin^s^: Jeniſon for Serving Saxton ———— 20 : 0 —
to Capt: Phin^s^ Stearnes for Service in the War — 45 : 0 —
to L^t^: Amos Bond for D^o^ ———————— 22 : 12 —
to m^r^ Richard Clark for attending Convention at Concord 21 : 4=6

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to Jedi^{h} Leathe for d^{o} — — — — — — — — — 21 : 4 : 6

£ 526 : 16 : 0

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{r}: Bez^{l} Learned on the 4th day of Feb^{y}: AD 1780 — They Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay £ 52 pounds to the widow Mary Vila for Boarding Mary Learneds Child from the Second day of Oct^{r}: 1779. to the Second day of Jan^{y}: 1780 being 13 Weeks — and to pay the Committe for Supplying the pulpit one £ 1000 pounds for that Purpoſe — They ordered the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant directed to Constable Everit to Warn Diadama White out of Town She Came last from Waltham in December Last. Past her Circumſtances being Such that they Refuſe to accept her to be an Inhabitant of Watertown —

A Warrant was Issued Accordingly

Pr Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday ye 21th Day of Feb^{y}: AD 1780 at the House of m^{r} Bez^{ll} Learned ————

They Agreed to have a Publick Town-Meeting on Monday the 28th day of this Inſtant month of February at two O: Clock in the afternoon at the Publick Meeting Houſe for the following Purpoſe (Viz) ————————

First to Chooſe a moderator of the meeting ————

(2) For the town to agree upon Some Method for the Settleing a Gospel miniſter and to act any thing Relating thereto that may be thought Proper. or otherwiſe to agree upon Some way to Supply the Pulpit in Some other manner as may be thought best.

They also agreed to have the Publick Annual Town meeting on Monday the Sixth Day of march Next at the meeting Houſe at Nine O: Clock in the forenoon for to Chooſe a Moderator for the Meeting ————

(2) To Chooſe Selectmen Town-Clerk & Treaſurer & all other Town offices Required to be Choſe in the month of march Annually —

(3) To Chooſe a Saxton and Agree how he Shall be paid for his Service — (4) To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer (5) To Determin Whether Swine Shall Run at Large the enſueing year.

(6) To Choofe a Committe to Examin the Treafurers accounts— (7) To grant money to Support the miniftery the year enfueing, (8) To grant money to Support the Poor ——— (9) To grant money to Repair the Great Bridge and to agree upon Some way, thoroughly to Repair ye Same and to act thereon as they See fitt ——————— (10) To grant money to pay the Collectors of Tax's ——————— (11) To grant money to Repair the Highways & Townways and Agree upon a Method to perform ye Service (12) To hear the accounts of thofe perfons the town is Indebted to and grant money to pay the Same

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(13) To grant money to Support the School or Schools and act any thing Relating thereto that may be thought Proper. (14) To hear the pleas of the Collectors for abateing any Perfons Rates & to act thereon as They See fit — (15) To know the minde of the town whether they will Lease out the Fifhery in the town and do & act any thing Relating thereto they may think Necefsary. — ——— (16) For the town to Appoint a Committe to See what peices of Land belonge to the town and to act any thing Relating thereto the Town may think Proper. (17) To See if the town will Sell any Pews in the meeting Houfe that belong to the town and to act any thing Relating thereto they may think Proper — (18) To know if the town will make Some further Grant to m^r^ Ebenezer Everit for his Service in Collecting Tax's and to act thereon as they See fit — (19) To hear the Report of any Committees that were appointed for perticular Services & to act thereon as they think best. — and also to Notify ye Town Creditors to bring in their accounts to ye Selectmen on Fryday the third day of march Next at 3 O Clock afternoon at the House of m^r^ Bezaleel Learned ————

Warrants were Issued Dated ye 22^d^: Infitant
Pr Jon^a^: Brown Town-Clerk

At the Meeting afore Said L^t^: Josiah Capen and M^r^: Joseph Hay were Appointed by the Selectmen to be Meafurers of Wood Bark &c: agreable to a Law of this State ————

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At a Publick Town Meeting held at the Meeting Houfe in Watertown on the Twenty Eighth Day of of February AD: 1780.

for to Consider what is proper to be don Relating to the Settleing a Miniſter ————
Voted & Choſe Dea^{n}: Nathl: Stone Moderator ———
Then the article Relating to the Settleing a Miniſter was Read and the Question was Put whether the Town will Proceed to Settle a Minister as Soon as Conveniently may be & it Paſsed in the affirmative
Then the Question being Put whether the Town are Desirous to hear any more Perſons before they Proceed to the Choice and it Paſsed in the Negative ————————
Then Voted that the meeting be adjourned to this Day Fortnight at two O:Clock afternoon to meet at this Place to Proceed to the Choice of a Miniſter ———

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at m^{r} Bez^{l} Learneds on the 28th Day of Feb^{y}: AD 1780 — They Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay Samuel White & others a Committe for hiring men for the war the Sum of 67 : 15 - 0 for their Service in full of their Accounts, also to pay m^{r} Josiah Bisco one £ 100 pounds for one months Service in keeping the School ———

At a meeting of the Selectmen at m^{r} Bezaleel Learneds on the 3^{d} Day of march AD 1780 the following acc^{tts}

(Viz)	m^{r} Sam^{ll} White for Supplys for the poor ——	31 ″	7 ″	0
	m^{r} David Bemis for d^{o} ————————	28 ″	7 ″	0
	Major Saml Barnard for d^{o} ————	22 ″	10 ″	0
	m^{r} Amos Livermore for d^{o} ————————	213 ″	7 ″	6
		£295 ″	11 ″	6

m^{r} David Bemis for keeping m^{r} Wheatons horse	50 :	8 :	0
Jon^{a}: Brown for hay for Dr Cooper &c — —	6 :	4 :	0

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at the publick Meeting House in s^{d}: Town on Monday the the Sixth Day of March AD: 1780 for the Choice of Town officers & other affairs as Setforth in ye Warrants & Voted & Choſe Dea^{n}: Nathl Stone Moderator ————
Then Voted & Choſe the the Several Perſons hereafter named to Serve in the Several offices hereafter mentioned — ———
Meſs^{rs}: Saml White, David Bemis, David Sanger Saml Barnard

and Amos Livermore for Selectmen who at their Request Were Excuſed ——

Then Choſe for Selectmen ——— { Saml: Fisk Esqr. / Jon^{a}: Brown Esqr / m^{r}. Moſes Stone / Dea^{n}: Nathl Stone / Mr Jedi^{h} Leathe }

Town-Clerk & Town-Treaſurer Jon^{a} Brown Esqr ———

Aſseſsors ——— { Jon^{a}: Brown Esqr / Saml Fisk Esqr / Mr Josiah Bisco }

Constables Meſs^{r} Jon^{a}: Livermore & Ezek^{l} Hall

Wardens Miſs^{r} Saml: Cooke & Simon Whitney ———

Sealer of Leather Mr Stephen Whitney ———

Fence-Viewers Meſs^{r} John Draper & Jonas Hastings

Surveyors of Highways Miſ^{rs} David Coollidge, Richd Clark & Phin^{s} Harrington

Howards Abraham Whitney & Daniel Maſon. ———

Tythingmen $^{m\ rs}$ Saml Nutting & Thos Pattin ———

Surveyors of Timber &c m^{r} David Sanger & L^{t} Joſiah Capen

Clerks of the Markets Jedidiah Leathe & Eben^{r}: Everit ———

Hogrieves: Richard Richardſon, & Elkanah Wales ———

Choſe Phinehas Jeniſon Saxton & Voted that he have two Contrebutions for his Service ———

Then the Votes were bro^{t} in for a County Treaſurer ———

Then the Vote was Put whether Swine Should Run at Large it Paſsed in the Negative ———

Choſe for a Committe to Examin the Treaſurers acc^{tts} ——— { M^{r}: Daniel Parker / Saml: Fisk Esqr / Wm Hunt Esqr }

Voted & Granted to Support the Poor £ 100 pounds

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Then Information was given that the Great Bridge was in great Danger of being Carried of by the Ice it was moved that a Committe be Choſe to take care & git help to cut away the ice to prevent the Bridge from being Deſtroyed if Poſsiable ———

Choſe for Said Committe ——— { Jonas White / Josiah Capen / David Sanger }

Then they Voted to Chooſe a Committe to Joine with Such Perſons as may be Appointed by the towns of Weston & Waltham

or either of them, to Deviſe ways & means for Widning & Repairing the Great Bridge ————

Choſe for Said Committe ——— { Mr: Daniel Parker
Capt Phins Stearnes
Mr David Bemis
Mr Saml White
Wm Hunt Esqr }

Voted & Granted £ 3000 Pounds to Repair the Highways &c voted that the Price of Labour be £ 9 pounds Pr Day for a man & the like Sum for a team and that the Aſseſsors make out list of each Perſons Proportion as has been uſual
Then it was Voted that the meeting Should be Adjourned to the third monday in the Preſent month two O Clock afternoon to meet in this Place & it was accordingly adjourned

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on monday ye 6th Day of March AD: 1780 The following perſon were Sworn to the Several offices hereafter mentioned (Viz) ————
Jonathan Livermore & Ezekiel Hall Constables
Stephen Whitney Sealer of Leather. Jonas Hastings Fence Viewer David Coollidge, Richard Clark. & Phins: Harrington Surveyors of Highways. Daniel Maſon Howard, Richard Richardſon Hogrieve,— March ye 20. 1780 Saml Fisk Esqr: aſseſsor Simon Whitney Warden, Thos: Pattin, & William Warrin Tythingmen, Jedih. Leathe & Ebenr: Everit Clerks of the Markets —— John Draper Fence-Viewer

Sworn P Jona: Brown Ju[*]
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At the meeting aforementioned they Signed an order on the town Treaſurer to pay the Several Sums (Viz)

To meſrs Saml White for Supplys for the Poor	31 : 7 : 0
to David Bemis for do	28 : 7 : 0
to Saml Barnard for do	22 : 10 : —
to Amos Livermore for do	213 : 7 : 6
and to mr Bemis for keeping mr: Wheatons horſe	50 : 8 : 0
to Jona Brown for 6 hundred of Hay for Dr Cooper	1 : 16 : 0
and for Indentures for binding poor Children	4 : 8 : —
	£ 352 : 3 : 6

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At a Publick Town Meeting held at the Publick Meeting House on Monday the 13th day of March AD 1780. By adjourt: it being for the Choice of a Miniſter — Dean Nathl Stone being Moderator ———

Votes were Called for & being brot: in & Sorted and Counted & it Appeared that Mr: Richard Roſewell Eliot was unanimouſly Choſen ————

Then it was Voted to Chooſe a Committe to consider and Report what is Proper to give mr Eliot as a Sallery to Encourage him to Settle in the town as a miniſter ————

Choſen for sd Comtte ———— Saml Fiſk Esqr
Dean Nathl Stone
mr: Saml White
mr David Sanger
mr David Bemis
majr Saml Barnard
mr Amos Livermore
mr Moſes Stone
mr Richard Clark
mr Josiah Bisco
Lt: Amos Bond

Then it was Voted that this meeting be adjourned to monday Next at five O Clock afternoon at this Place which was Accordingly don ————

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At a Publick Town Meeting held at the Publick meeting Houſe in said Town on monday the 20th Day of march AD 1780 P Adjournment ———— Dean: Nathl Stone being moderator. The meeting being opened the Seventh article being Read. They Voted and Granted £ 5000 pounds to Support the miniſtry. The Voted & Granted 1000 Pounds to Repair the Great Bridge. Voted that the Constables be the Collectors of the Tax's Then the accounts of thoſe Perſons the Town is Indebted to were laid before the town and the following Sums were Granted (Viz) To the Selectmen that Served the Last year being Their Neceſsary Expences — £ 140 : 16

To mr Samuel White for Service in Convention —	34	6	——
To mr Richard Clark for do ————	34	6	——
To mr Simon Hastings for mending Glaſs &c —	6	0	——
To mr Josiah Bisco for Serving Aſseſsor last year	100	0	——
To Lt: Amos Bond for do — — — — — — — —	100	0	——

To m^{r} Jed^{h}: Leathe for d^{o} — — — — — —	100 : 0 —
To Jon^{a}: Brown for Serving Treafurer ——	250 : 0 ——
	765 : 8 :——

Then they Voted that there Shall be three Schools kept four months begining the middle of November next one of Said Schools to be a Grammer School. Then Voted & Granted to Support s^{d}: Schools ye Sum of £ 2000

Then Voted & abated Jed^{h}: Learneds Rates in all the Constables lists amounting to the Sum of

Voted & abated Saml Hartwells Rates & Saml Barnard ju^{r} d^{o} in Mofes Coollidges lists amounting to ———

Voted & abated in Amos Bonds lists Dr Osgoods and W^{m}. Adams Rates amounting to ———

John Draper Prefented a list for abatements (Viz) Dr Osgoods Bertholomew Peirces, Wm Oliver, William Baxter & Daniel Coollidges, and it was Voted that the afsefsors allow Such as they think proper. Then it was Voted to Grant the Like Sums to make them good ———

Voted & Granted the Sum of £ 48 pounds to pay mefrs *
Mofes Stone, David Bemis & David Sanger for hiring me[n]

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Then Voted to Choofe a Committe to Lease out the Fishery if they find there is any law in favor thereof but if otherwife to Petition the General Court for Power So to do ————

Voted & Chofe for S^{d}: Com^{tte} —— { Jon^{a} Brown Esqr, Wm Hunt Esqr, m^{r} John Draper, Saml Fisk Esqr, m^{r} David Bemis }

Then voted to Choofe a Committe to See what peices of Land belong to the Town & make Report thereof ————

Chofe for Said Committe ——— { m^{r} Saml White, Wm Hunt Esq, m^{r} David Sanger }

Then Voted to Choofe a Committe to See what pews that belong to the town & make Report at the Next meeting

Choofe for Said Committe —— { Sam^{ll} Fisk Esqr, m^{r} David Sanger, m^{r} Saml White }

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Then m^r^ Eben^r^ Everit moved that he might have Some further Grant or allowance for his Service in Collecting Tax's & the Queston being put whether any Should be allowed & it Paſsed in the Affermative ————

Then it was Voted to put of the further Consideration to the Next meeting. Then the meeting was adjourned to Mr Bullards at 7 O Clock this evening at which time They being meet. Mr Saml Nutting was Excuſed from being Tythingman, & L^t^: Wm Warrin was Choſen in his Room, alſo m^r^ Josiah Bisco was Excuſed from Serving Aſseſsor & Mr Elijah Bond was Choſen in his Room

This day being the time to which the Town meeting was adjourned to hear the Report of the Committe that was appointed to Consider what Sallary is proper to offer m^r^ Richard Roswell Eliot to encourage him to Settle &c the Committe accordingly Reported which was voted and Accepted & is on file — Then Voted to Chooſe a Com^tte^ to preſent the Votes of the town to M^r^: Eliot for his Consideration Choſe for Said Committe —— Saml Fisk Esqr: Dea^n^ Nathl Stone & M^r^: Moſes Stone

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At a meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston, & Waltham on the 27th Day of march AD 1780 — at the Houſe of Capt: Isaac Gleaſon Inn-holder in Waltham the acconts for the Repairs of the great Bridge in Watertown amounting to the Sum of £ 722 : 4 : 4 was adjusted and Signed by the the Selectmen of said Town's ————

Watertown's Part being	£ 256 : 12 : 5
Weston's d° ————	244 : 0 : 8
Walthams d° ————	221 : 10 : 11
	722 : 4 : 4

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the third day of April AD 1780. at the Houſe of m^r^ John Bullard —— They Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay the Sum of £ 722=4=0 to the perſons that did the Service and provided the Meterials for the Repairs of the Great Bridge as abovementioned — also an order to pay the following Sums

(Viz) To Seth Hastings for keeping School	275 : 0 ——
To Jon^a^ Remington for d° ————	275 : 0 ——
To Josiah Bisco for d° ————	175 : 0 ——

To Sam[l] Soden for d° Wood —	75 : 0 ——
To Tho[s] Pattin for d° ———	90 : 0 ——
To Jed[h] Leathe for d° ———	60 : 0 ——
and to Jed[h]. Leathe to Pay m[r] Dinsdell Houſe Rent	40 : 0 ——
& to y[e] wid° Vila for Boarding Mary Learneds Child 13 weeks	78 : 0 ——
to the wid° Learned for Houſe Rent for Mary Learned for 26 Weeks ———	7 : 16 ——
	£ 1075 : 16

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 7th Day of May AD: 1780. at the House of m[r]: John Bullard they agreed that m[r] Moſes Stone & m[r] Jedi[h]: Leathe Should Perambulate the lines betwixt this and the adjacent towns on Fryday the 19th Inſtant to Begin with Cambridge at 7 oClock in the morning at the River; with Waltham at 11 oClock beforenoon at the Rocks & with Newton at 4 afternoon of the Same day ———
Notice was Sent to y[e] Selectm[en]
P[r] Jon[a]: Brown Town-Clerk ———

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At a meeting of the Selectmen on Wednesday the 10th Day of may AD 1780. at m[r] John Bullards —— They agreed to have a Town meeting on monday the 15th Day of the present month of may at the meeting House to Chooſe a perſon or perſons to Repreſent the town in the General Court the year enſueing and alſo an other meeting the Same day at the Same place to act on the following Articles (Viz) to Chooſe a moderator ——— (2) To Chooſe town officers as are Needfull in the Room of Such as do not Serve. (3) to do any thing that may be thought Needfull Relating to the miniſterial place. or for the Settleing m[r]: Eliot and to make Such further Grant of money as may be Judged Needfull for that Service (4) To Consider & make Such grants to m[r]: Ebenezer Everit and any other Collectors as they think Proper ——— (5) To know the minde of the town Whether they will Build any more Pews, or Sell any that belong to the town and Act thereon as they See Proper —— (6) To Consider what is further Neceſsary to be don Relating to the Repairs of the Great Bridge & act thereon as they See fitt. (7) To Consider of and Act any thing the town may think proper Relating to John Stearnes's place ———

(8) To do any thing further Relating to the Schools that may be thought proper ———— (9) To hear the Reports of any Committees & make any Neceſsary Grants of money or do any thing Elſe that may be thought proper ——

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly aſsem^{d}: on monday the 15th Day of may AD 1780 for the Choice of a Repreſentative The Town being meet the vote was Put whether the the town will Send more than one perſon to Repreſent them in the General Court & it paſsed in the Negative —— Then the Votes were Called for, for one Perſon which were bro^{t}: in Counted & Sorted it appeared there was no Choice. then they were Called for again bro^{t}: in Counted & Sorted and it appeared that Jonathan Brown Esqr: was Choſen ————————————

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At a meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly aſsembled at the meeting Houſe in s^{d}: Town on Monday the 15th Day of may AD 1780 for transacting Sundry town affairs

They Voted & Chooſe Dea^{n}: Nathl Stone Moderator ————

Then they Voted & Choſe m^{r}: Moſes Stone an Aſseſsor in the Room of m^{r} Elijah Bond who Declined to Serve, and m^{r} Stone Declined to Serve & L^{t}: Amos Bond was Choſen in his Room — then m^{r} John Draper was Choſen Hogrieve in the Room of Mr Elkanah Wales who Declined to Serve ————————

Then the article Relating to the miniſterial Place was Read and it wa Voted to chooſe a Com^{te} to View the Premiſes & Report what Repairs are Neceſsary, & make Report at the Next meeting —

Voted & Chooſe for Said Committee { Mr David Bemis
M^{r}: Saml White
Capt: Phin^{s} Stearnes

Then they voted and Granted M^{r}: Eben^{r}: Everit the Sum of one Hundred Pounds with what was Granted before for his Service as Collector for the year Past: ————————

Then the Article Relating to Schools was Read and after a Number of Questions were Put no alteration Relating to the Schools Obtained —

Then it was Voted that the meeting with the Remaining buſineſs Should be adjourned to Monday Next at 3 O Clock afternoon in this place & it was Accordingly Adjourned ————————

At a Publick Town Meeting held at the meeting House on monday the 22d: Day of may AD: 1780 by Adjournment Deaⁿ. Nathl: Stone being moderator, the third article in ye warrant Relating to the ministerial place &c being Read there was Voted & Granted the Sum of £ 900 pounds to Repair ye miniſterial place ————
Voted that the time for ordaining mr Eliot be the third Wednesday in June Next ————————
Voted & Granted the Sum of £ 1500 Pounds to Defray the Expence of the ordination ——— ——— — ————
Voted to Chooſe a Committe to take care of & provide for the ordination
Voted & Choſe for Said Committee Mr Richd: [*] Mr Saml White, Saml: Fisk Esqr: mr Saml Cook mr Simon Wh[*] mr David Bemis, mr Jonas White ————————

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Then Voted that the Sums Granted be aſseſt as Soon as may be
Then the Article Relating to Pews was Read & the town Voted yt the two pews in the Gallery that belong to ye Town Should be Sold to the highest. Bider under the Same Regulations as the other pews were Sold & that the Committee appointed to See what Pews belong to the town, Should be the Committee for Said purpoſe ————————
Then a motion was made & it was Seconded to Sell the two hind Seats in the womens Side below which was Voted ————
and it was also voted to Sell the two hinds Seats on the mens Side and after Consideration thereon it was Voted to Reconſider the two last Votes — — — — — — ————————————
Then it was Voted to Chooſe a Committee to Repair ye ministerial Place ————

Voted & Chooſe for Said Committee — { mr David Bemis, mr David Sanger, Lt Amos Bond }

Then the article Relating to the great Bridge was Read ———
and the Committee Appointed to Consider that matter Reported a plann for Repairing & widning Said Bridge which was Voted & Accepted ————————
Then Voted to Chooſe a Committee for Said Purpoſe ———

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Voted & Chofe for Said Committee { Mr Daniel Parker
Mr David Sanger
Mr Saml White

Voted & Granted the Sum of £ 220 pounds in Silver money or other money &c Equivent thereto for Said Purpofe
Voted that the Said Sum be afseft if the other towns agreed to go on with the Said Repairs and not otherwife
Then the article Relating to John Stearnes place was Read, & after Debate it was Voted that the Selectmen take care of that affair ——————————

May ye 19th: 1780 The lines between this and the adjacent Towns were Perambulated & Renewed

By us

Mofes Stone } Comtte
Jedidiah Leathe }

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At a Publick Town meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown on the 29th Day of may AD 1780. to Consider of a New Form of Government. &c ————
Voted & Chofe Dean Nathl: Stone Moderator of ye meeting
Then the Said Form of Govert: was Read to the Town then the Meeting was Adjourned to three O: Clock afternoon — — —
Afternoon the town being again meet the form aboveSaid being Again Read after Some Debate thereon, it was Voted to Choofe a Committee to hear & State the Objections that may be made by any Perfons & make Report at the Adjournment of the meeting

Voted and Chofe for sd: Committee { Saml: Fisk Esqr:
Dean Nathl Stone
mr Daniel Parker
Wm Hunt Esqr.
Lt Amos Bond
mr Saml: Cook
Jona Brown Esqr
mr Jedh: Leathe
mr Josiah Bisco

Adjourned the Meeting to Tuesday Next at 3; o Clock in ye afternoon at this place ————

At a Publick Town Meeting held at the Meeting Houfe on the 29th day of may AD: 1780 By Adjournment Dean Nathl Stone

being Moderator. the Meeting being opened They Voted & Choſe Mr: Daniel Parker an Aſseſsor — Then the Article Relating to John Stearnes Place was Read. Then it was Voted to receive the money now in the Hands of Meſsrs: Josiah Capen, & David Bemis which belongs to Said Stearnes's Estate as Part of the Purchase of the Place. ——— Then they voted to Chooſe a Committee to Consider what is proper to be don Relating to Schools and to Report.
Voted & Choſe for Said Committee Meſrs: Thos: Pattin Richd: Clark Saml Barnard, Jedh: Leathe, & Saml: White ———
Voted that the money Ariſing by the Sale of the two pews that are ordered to be Sold be Appropriated to Repair the Buildings and fence on the miniſterial place — Then the Meeting adjourned to Tuesday Next at two oClock afternoon in th[*]

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At a Publick Town Meeting held at the Meeting House on Tuesday the 6th Day of June AD: 1780. by adjournment to Consider the Purpoſed New form of Government The Comtte to whome the Consideration thereof was Refered made Verbal Report that no very Meterial alteration was Neceſsary in their Opinion. The Said Form was again Read & after Consideration thereon they came to the following Vote (Viz) ———
Voted that the Form of Government or Civil Constitution Agreed upon by the Convention, is Agreable to the minds of this town and that our Delegates in Convention be and hereby are Directed to Adopt the Same. provided it be Agreable to the minds of two thirds of the Inhabitants of this State to make Such alterations as will render the Same Conformable to two thirds of the Inhabitants of Said State — and to agree upon a time when the Same Shall take Place ———
There were 46 Voters preſent 43 Voted to accept the Same and two against it and one Declined to act either way
Then the meeting was Deſolved ———

At a Publick Town Meeting held at the meeting Houſe on ye Sixth day of June AD 1780. By adjournment ———
Dean Nathl Stone being Moderator. the Meeting being Opened They Voted & Chose mr: Daniel Maſon an aſseſsor who at his Desire was Excuſed. ———

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Then they Voted & Chose the following perſons for a Committee to hire Men to Serve in the Army (Viz) Lt Josiah Capen m^{r} Josiah Bisco, & Moſes Stone ju^{r} ————————
Voted that Said Committee have full Power to hire men on the best terms they can for the Service of this town in the War. — Then the Committee appointed to Consider what is Proper to be don Relating to Schools Reported which was not accepted which is on file, Then it was Voted that this Meeting Should be adjourned to the Next monday 3: O Clock at this place which was Accordingly don ————————

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At a Publick Town Meeting held at the meeting House in Watertown on Monday the 12th Day of June AD 1780. By adjournment —— Dea^{n}: Nathl Stone being moderator — the meeting being opened — The Committee appointed on the affair of the Great Bridge Reported that the other Towns Concerned in the Support Declined to do any thing Relating thereto on the Purpoſed Plann. which Report was accepted & is on file. —— Then the Committee appointed to Sell ye two pews Reported which is as follows (Viz) The Committe Chosen by the Town to Sell two Pews in the womens Gallary have performed that Service. —— And report as followeth ————————

Sold the Pew N^{o}: 5	To M^{r}: Nath^{ll} Bemis for - - - -	1402 : 0——
Sold N^{o}: 4	To m^{r} Joel White for - - - - -	1136 : 0——
		£ 2538 : 0
Paid to the Committee appointed by the Town to Repair the Buildings and fences on the miniſterial Place - - - - -		900 : 0——
the Expence of the Vendue for the Sale of the Pews		37 : 4——
there Remains in the hands of the Committee		£ 1600 : 16

Watertown June ye 12th: 1780.

Saml Fisk
Saml White } Committee
David Sanger —

Then the town voted & appropriated the above Said £ 1600 pounds to be Improved to pay the Expence of the ordination the Committe to be Accountable to the town for the Expendeture of the Same — Then the town voted to add two more perſons to the Committee for hiring men ——— Then Voted & Choſe Wm Hunt Esqr and

m^r David Sanger ——— Then the following Vote Past Relating to the Schools (Viz) That a Committee be Chosen who Shall Receive the names of all Such perfons who incline to Expend their money for Winter Schools, & also for Summer Schools. & that the whole money taxed for Schools ſhall be aſseſsed by itſelf, & neither party Shall have a right to take from the Treaſury any more money that Shall be paid into the Same, by those that belong thereto, & those that Subſcribe for Winter Schools Shall not have Liberty to Send to the Summer Schools, & those that Subscribe for Summer Schools Shall not Send to winter Schools to the end every perſon may have the Benefitt of the moneys he Shall be aſseſsed as aforesaid

Chosen for a Committee to Receive ye names &c { Mr Eben^r: Everit; Wm Hunt Esqr; M^r Moſes Stone }

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Then the town Voted & Granted the Sum of £ 12000 Thousand pounds to Raiſe men & procure Cloathing for the use of the Army agreable to the Reſolves of the General Court ————
Then it was voted that the Sum afore Said be emediatly aſseſsed, and Collected by Next monday Night ————————
Then the Meeting was Deſolved ————————
Middleſex Ss Watertown June ye 19th: 1780. Then Meſs^rs Moſes Stone, Nath^ll: Stone & Jedi^h: Leathe three of the Selectmen took the oath Required by law to Quallifie them to do the Duty of Aſseſsors

Before me Jon^a: Brown Just^s: Peace ——

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at M^r: Bullards on the 3^d Day of July AD: 1780 — They Agreed to Call a Publick Town Meeting to be held at the Meeting House on Wednesday Next at 4 O:Clock afternoon to Act on the following Articles (Viz) ——— First to Chooſe a Moderator of the Meeting. (2) To agree upon Some more Speedy method for the Collecting of the Tax's by Chooſing more Constables or Collectors or in Such other way as may be thought best. (3) To agree upon Some Method for Raiſing a Number more Soldiers agreable to the Reſolves of the General Court. (4) To Grant any Sums of money that may be thought Neceſsary for Said purpoſe. (5) To Hear the Accounts of Those perſons the town is indebted to and Grant money to pay the Same (6) To Hear the Reports of any Committees and

to Act thereon as the town may think Proper —— And to act on any other matters that may be thought Neceſsary at this time—

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at m^{r} Bullards on the 5th day of July 1780 They Signed an order on the town treaſurer to Pay the Sum of Seven Thousand & Seventy five Pounds ten Shillings to L^{t}: Josiah Capen & others a Committe to hire men
Middleſex, ſs: July ye 12th 1780 then m^{r} John Draper appeared and was Sworn to the office of Hogrieve ————
Before me Jon^{a} Brown Just: Peace

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At the Meeting afore Said they Signed orders on the Town Treaſurer to pay the Sums aftermentioned (Viz)

To Saml White & others Selectmen the last year it being their Expences — — —	140 : 16 : 0
To Saml White for Service in Convention —	34 : 6 : 0
to Richard Clark for d^{o} ————	34 : 6 : 0
to Simon Hastings for Mending Glaſs ——	6 : 0 ——
to Josiah Bisco for Serving Aſseſsor last year	100 : 0 ——
to Amos Bond for d^{o} ———	100 : 0 ——
to Jed^{h} Leathe for d^{o} — — — — — — — —	100 : 0 ——
to Jon^{a} Brown for Serving Treaſ^{r}: the year Past	250 : 0 ——
to Moſes Stone, David Sanger, & David Bemis for hiring.^{men}	48 : 0 ——
also to Francis Brown for Stone & Gravil Carried to the Great Bridge — —	30 : 0 ——
and to pay Josiah Capen & others a Committe to hire men to fill the Continential Army	12000 : 0 —
and to pay ye Rev^{d}: Mr Richd Roswell Eliot— in part for his Service in the Miniſtery —	2000 : 0 ——
als to pay Jed^{h} Leathe for Labour at the great Bridge	0015 : 0 ——
	£ 14858 : 8 : 0

At a Publick Town Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at the meeting on Wednesday ye 5th: Day of July AD 1780. for the Purpoſes Set-forth in the Warrant ——— Voted & Choſe Dea^{n}: Nathl: Stone Moderator of the meeting — —then m^{r} Jonathan Livermore Re-

quested to be Excuſed from Serving as Constable & the Question being Put it Paſsed in the Negative —— Then the Committe Appointed to hire men to go into the army Reported and it Appeared that there was a Ballance due to them of £ 7075=10=0 which Sum was Voted & Granted — — — — — — — — — —
Then they Voted & Granted the Sum of £ 12000 Pounds to hire men Agreable to the Last Reſolves of the General Court — — —
Voted that the Committe Appointed to hire men before Proceed to git the Remainder as Soon as may be —— also Voted & Impowered s^d^ Com^tte^ to hire money in Behalf of the town for said purpoſe ————
Voted & Granted £ 3000 Pounds to enable the Selectmen to procure the four Horſes Required by a Reſolve of the General Court
Voted that the aforesaid Grants be Aſseſt as Soon as may be ——
Then vo[ted] to Adjourn this Meeting to Wednesday Next 4 OClock afternoon at this [place]

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at the Meeting on Wednesday the 12th Day of July AD: 1780 By Adjournment — They Meeting being Opened They proceeded ————
and Voted & Granted the further Sum of £ 6000 pounds to hire Men in Adition to the former Grant made for for that Purpoſe —Then an account of the Expences of the ordination of Mr Eliote was presented and Read & after Some Debate thereon it was Voted to Chooſe a Com^te^ to Examin the Same & Report what is proper to be don thereon.

Choſe for Said Committee ——— { Jon^a^: Brown, David Sanger, Saml Soden, Jed^h^ Leathe, Wm Hunt }

Then they Voted that this meeting Should be Adjourned to monday the 24th Day of this present month then to meet in this Place at 4 O Clock afternoon ————

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at the Meeting House on monday the 24th Day of July AD 1780 By Adjournment. There being but a Small number of Perſons present. it was Voted further to Adjourn to the Seventh day of August Next

at 4 O Clock afternoon to meet at This place — which was Accordingly don ————

At a Meeting of y^{e} Selectmen on the 5th of July 1780 —— They Signed an order on the Treafurer to pay the Sum of £ 7075=10 . 0 to Lt Josiah Capen & others a Committee appointed to hire men for to go into the Army ————————
And at their meeting on the 24 Day of the Same month they Signed an order to pay the Same Com^{tte} £ 14000 pounds for the like purpofe, and Also an Order to pay m^{r} Sam^{ll} Cook £ 900 pounds in part of his Expence for the ordination

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At a Publick Town Meeting on the 7th: Day of Aug^{t}: AD 1780 by Adjournment. to Consider the Reports of Some Committees They not being fully Ready & but a few Perfons Present The meeting was Defolved — — — — — — — — — —

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston & Waltham at the House of Mifs Dorothy Coollidge in Watertown on Monday the 21th: Day of August: 1780 - to View the Great Bridge & to provide for the Repairs of the Same — They Agreed to Choofe a Committee to confift of one Man from each town concerned to provide Meterials & git the Service don as Soon as may be ————

Chofe for Said Committe . { m^{r}: Jed^{h}: Leathe for Watertown
m^{r}: Israel Whittemore for Weston
m^{r} Abner Sanderfon for Waltham }

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen on the 26th day of aug^{t}: AD 1780— They ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to the Several Constables to Warn the Inhabitants of the Town who are Quallified according to the new Constitution to meet at the Meeting House on monday the 4th day of Sepr Next at two O: Clock in the afternoon to give in their Votes for a Governor L^{t}: Governor & Senators ——— and to Warn Such of the Inhabitants of the town as are Quallified to vote in town affairs to meet at the Same place at 3 o Clock afternoon the Same day to act on the following Articles (Viz) (1) To Choofe a Moderator (2) To agree upon Some Method to provide the Cloathing ordered by the General Court & to act any thing thereon that may be thought Necefsary (3) To make Some further provifion

for the Payment of the Rev^{d}: M^{r}: Eliots Sallary (4) To make a further Grant for the Repairs of the Great Bridge and to act anything Relating thereto that may be thought Proper — (5) To Hear the Reports of any Committees and to act thereon as may be thought best. (6) To Pafs upon any accounts that may be laid before the town and to make Such further grants of money as may be tho^{t}: Necefsary — also to act on any other Matters that may be tho^{t}: Necefsar[y]
Warrants were Issued Accordingly ————

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At a Publick Town-Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified according to the New Constitution or Form of Government Regularly Afsembled at the Meeting House in Said Town on Monday the 4th Day of Sep^{r}: AD: 1780 — to give in their Votes for a Governor. Lieu^{t} Governor and five Senators.
the Votes for a Governor being Called for were bro^{t}: in counted & Sorted & it Appeared that the —— Hon^{ll}: John Hancock Esqr had forty five Votes for Governor and the Hon^{ll} James Bowdoin had forty three votes for Leiv^{t} Governor which was the whole Number that were bro^{t}: in for Said officers ————
Then the votes were bro^{t}: in for Senators Sorted & Counted & it Appeared that the following Gentlemen had the Number of Votes against his name (Viz)

The Hon^{ll}: Stephen Hall Esqr: — — —	1
Hon^{l} James Prefcott Esqr — — —	29
Hon^{l} Josiah Stone Esqr — — — —	31
Hon^{l} Abraham Fullar Esqr — —	32
Hon^{ll} Oliver Prefcott Esqr — — —	3
Hon^{l} John Tyng Esqr ————	21
Jonas Dix Esqr: ————	2
Nathl Gorham Esqr: — — —	31
Samuel Thatcher Esqr — —	6
Josiah Capen Esqr ————	1
Capt Stephen Dana ————	1

At a Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Afsembled at the Same time and Place to Tranfact Sundry town affairs as Setforth in the Warning of the Meeting ——— Voted & Chofe William Hunt Esqr: Moderator and it being near Night they voted to adjourn the

Meeting to Wednesday Next at three O: Clock afternoon at this place and it was Accordingly Adjourned
Middſeſex ſs Sep^{r}: ye 11th: 1780. Jonathan Brown was Sworn agreable to Law to Quallifie him to Serve as an aſseſsor ————
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At a Publick Town Meeting held at the Meeting Houſe on the Sixth Day of Sep^{r}: AD 1780 By adjournment. ————
The meeting being Opened they proceeded to consider the article Relating to Cloathing ————
Voted that money be hired to procure the Cloathing by the Selectmen
Voted and Granted £ 4000 pounds towards the Support of the Rev^{d} m^{r} Richd Rooswell Eliot ————————
Voted & Granted £ 2500 pounds to Repair the Great Bridge ——
Voted & Granted £ 600 pounds to Repair ye miniſterial Buildings
Voted that Selectmen Inſure the Labourers at the Bridge y^{t} their wages be made good when they Receive the Same
Voted & Granted £ 15000 pounds to pay the hire of Soldiers gon into the Army ————
Voted & Granted Saml: Fisk Esqr: £ 120 pounds for his Service in Convention being 10 Days — — — ————————
Voted & Granted to Jonathan Brown for like Service it being 17 Days the Sum of £ 204 pounds ————————

At a meeting of the Selectmen at the House of m^{r} John Bullard on the 11th Day of Sep^{r}: AD 1780. They Approbated m^{r}: Edward Richardſon, m^{rs} Dorothy Coollidge & m^{r} John Bullard for Innholders & Miſs^{rs} Amos Bond. Moſes Coollidge, David Bemis, and: Saml: Cook for Retailors. ————————
at this meeting m^{r} Moſes Coollidge Notified of his Receiveing Lois Flagg into the town ————
At a Meeting of the Selectmen at m^{r} John Bullards on the fifth Day of Oct^{r}: 1780. They Agreed to have a Town-meeting on Wednesday the Eleventh day of this month of October at the meeting House at two O:Clock afternoon for the Choice of a Representative — also to have an other meeting at 3 O Clock the Same ^{day} at the Same place to act on ye following articles (Viz)
First to Chooſe a moderator (2^{ly}) To agree upon a Method to procure a Quantity of Beef agreable to a Reſolve of the General Court. — and to Grant a Sum of money for that Purpoſe and to act anything Relating thereto that may be thought Proper. (3^{ly})

To abate any Perticular Perſons Rates that may be thought proper. (4ly) To act anything Relating to the Schools that may be thought proper ————————
Warrants were Issued out Accordingly
P J: Brown Town-C[lerk]

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified (according to the New form of Goverment) to vote for the Choice of a Representative held at the meeting Houſe on Wednesday the 11th Day of October AD: 1780. They being Regularly Aſsembled. The Votes were Called for and being brot: in Counted it appeared that Jonathan Brown Esqr: was unanimously Choſen ————
And at an other meeting at the Same Place the Same day of the Inhabitants who are Quallified according to Law to Vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled to act on Sundry articles as Setforth in the warning of the meeting &c ————
Voted & Choſe Dean: Nathll Stone moderator ————
Then a Roſolve of the General Court Requireing a Quantity of Beef was Read & after Consideration thereof They ———
Voted & Choſe mr: Jonas White as a Committe to Purchaſe the Beef Required by Said Reſolve ————————
Voted to Chooſe a Committe to hire the Sum of £15000 pounds in the name & behalf of town to purchaſe sd: Beef ————
Voted & Choſe for Said Committee — { Wm Hunt Esqr / mr Saml Soden / mr Saml White }
Then Voted & Granted the Sum of Fifteen Thousand Pounds and Voted that the Same be aſseſsed & paid into the town Treaſury by the first day of January Next. for to Repay the money that may be hired as above Said ————
Then they voted & abated John Larrabees Rates in Moſes Coollidges lists & Granted the Sum of £ 33 : 5 : 0 to make it good
then Voted & Chooſe for a Committe to take Care of the Schools — — — { mr Simon Whitney / mr Saml Soden / mr Amos Livermore }
Then the meeting was Deſolved

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston, & Wal-

tham on the 11th Day of October AD 1780. at the Houſe of Capt Isaac Gleaſon Innholder in Waltham to Settle the account of the Charge that had Ariſen for the Repairs of the Great Bridge in Watertown Since the Last Adjustment amounting to ye Sum of £ 6376 : 0 : 0 was proportioned & Signed by the Selectmen of each town ——————

Watertown Part of Said Sum being	2335 : 14 : 6
Westons do is ————————	2223 : 4 : 2
Walthams do is ————————	1018 : 1 : 4
	£ 6577 : 0 : 0

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 19th Day of Octr: AD 1780 at mr: John Bullards. They Signed an order on the Town-Treaſr: to pay the Sum of £ 6577 pounds to the Perſons that found the Meterials & did the Labour in Repairing the Great Bridge according to the last Adjustment ~

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of mr: John Bullard on the 22d Day of December AD 1780. They agreed to have a Publick Town Meeting at the Meeting house on Wednesday the 27 Inſtant at one O Clock afternoon & ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants to Warn the Inhabitants to meet at sd time and place to Act on the following Articles (Viz)
First to Chooſe a moderator (2) To Agree upon Some Method to Procure a Quantity of Beef agreable to a Reſolve of the General Court or to provide money to Pay in lieu thereof. and to Act thereon as may be thought Proper — (3) To Agree upon Some Method to raiſe men to fill the Continential Army and to Act any thing Relating thereto that may be thought proper — (4) To hear the Reports of any Comttee and to Act thereon as they See proper (5) To do any thing Relating to the Schools as may be thought proper —
Warrants were Issued out accordingly

Jona: Brown Town-[Clerk]

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at the Meeting House on Wednesday the 27th Day of December AD: 1780 ——
Voted & Chooſe Dean: Nathl Stone moderator ——————
Then a motion was made to adjourn the meeting to 4 o Clock to

meet at m^r John Bullards the meeting was Accordingly adjourn^d
The Town being meet at Said time & place ————
Then they Voted to Choofe a Committee to Consider & Report what is Proper to be don Relating to the Raifing men ————

Voted & Choofe for S^d Committee
- Saml: Fisk Esqr
- m^r David Bemis
- m^r Mofes Stone
- m^r David Sanger
- m^r Richd Clark
- m^r Simon Whitney
- m^r Josiah Bisco

The Com^tte after Considering the matter made Verbal Report that a Committe to be appointed hire men to fill the Continential Army which was Voted & Accepted —

Voted & Chofe for Said Committee -
- Mr David Sanger
- Lt Josiah Capen
- Lt Amos Bond

Then Voted & Granted 1600 Dollars in hard money to hire S^d: men ————
Then Voted that Said money be afseft as Soon as may be and that it be paid into the Treafury by the 25 Day of January Next — Then it was Voted that any perfons that Choofe to pay in Paper money that 75 paper Dollars in the old Currency Shall be Received in lieu of one Silver Dollar
Voted & Granted the Sum of £ 24000 pounds to purchafe the Beef Required by the Genl Court for the use of the army
Then Voted to Choofe a Committee to Receive the money of the Collectors & pay for the Beef

Voted & Chofe for Said Committee
- Mr Daniel Parker
- Mr Simon Whitney
- Jon^a: Brown Esqr

Voted to Choofe Collectors to Collect the above Sums ———
Then Voted & Choofe mif^rs Mofes Stone ju^r: & Edm^d Fowle who were Sworn into the office by Jon^a: Brown Jus^t: Peace
Then they Voted that the Schools be kept till the Grant be Expended & then Cease till further orders ————
Then the meeting was Defolved ————

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At a meeting of the Selectmen at m^r Bullards on monday the 8th day of January AD: 1781 They Agreed that at the Request. Some of the Inhabitants of the Town. to have a Publick Town-

Meeting at the meeting House on Tuesday the 16th Day of this present month at two O: Clock afternoon for the following Purpoſes (Viz) ————————

(1) To Choofe a moderator (2) To Choofe a Constable or Collector if they See fitt. (3) To hear the Report of the School Committee and make Such further Grants to Support the Schools as may be thought proper (4) To take Some Meaſures for the Speedy Collecting the Tax's already aſsest. (5) To provide for the emediate Payment of the Monies borrowed for the use of the town. and Act any thing Relating thereto that may be thought Proper (6) To hear the Reports of any Committees and do any thing Relating thereto they See fit (7) To make Such further Grants of money as are Neceſsary ————————

Warrants were Issued accordingly one Directed to mr Hall as Constable and the other mr Saml: Soden who was Appointed to Warn the Deſtrict By Order of the Selectmen

At a Publick Town-Meeting held at the meeting House in Watertown on the 16th Day of Jany: 1781 to Tranſact Several thing mentioned in the Warrants for Calling the meeting. &c They Voted & Choſe Deacon Nathl: Stone moderator —— Then they Voted & Choſe mr Moſes Stonejur Constable Then the article Relating to Schools was Read & the Committe made Verball Report Relating to the Expenditure of the money Granted for that Purpoſe — Then the Question was Put whether the town will Grant any further Sum at this time & it paſsed in the Negative ———— then the article Relating to the money borrowed Then they Voted to Choofe a Committee to finde what the town owes on Notes &c. and to Consider what Shall be allowed as Depretiation & make Report. ————

Choſe for Said Committee { Wm Hunt Esqr
mr Richd: Clark
Lt Amos Bond

Then the Committee appointed to hire men was Laid on the tabl was Read & accepted & the Ballance of £ 747 : 18 - 0 was allowed ————

then the account for Repairing the ministerial place was Read & accepted amounting to £ 1681 : 19 : 0 See ye accounts on file— Then they Voted to allow the present Committee for their *
& Expence in hiring men ————————

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of m^{r} John Bullard on Fryday the 23^{d} Day of Feb^{y}: AD 1781. They agreed to have the annual March Meeting on the 5th day of March Next at 9: o Clock in the morning at the meeting House & directed the Clerk to Issue out Warrants directed to the Constables to Warn the Inhabitants who are Quallified to vote in town affairs to meet at Said time & place for the following purpoſes (Viz) First to Chooſe a moderator of ye meeting (2) To Chooſe Selectmen Town-Clerk Town-Treaſurer & all other town officers Required to be Choſe in the month of march Anually (3) To Chooſe a Saxton and Agree how he Shall be paid for his Service ——— (4) To Determin whether Swine Shall Run at Large the enſueing year — (5) To put in their Votes for a County Register & Treaſurer — — — — (6) To Grant money for Schools & to Agree what Schools Shall be kept & do any thing Relating thereto that may be thought best — — —— (7) To do any thing Relating to John Stearnes place that may be tho^{t} best. (8) To known if the town will provide a place for James Hay that he may be Removed out of the Town of Cambridge. (9) To do any thing further that may Appear Neceſsary for Raiſing men to fill the Continential Army — (10) To hear the Accounts of thoſe perſons the town is Indebted to and Grant money to pay the Same ——— (11) To Chooſe a Committee to Examin the Treaſurers Accounts —— (12) To Grant money to Support the Poor. and Such other Services as may be thought Neceſsary (13) To Grant money to Repair the Highways and act any thing Relating thereto that may be thought proper — (14) To hear the Reports of any Committees. and Act thereon as may be thought best. (15) To do any thing Relating to the Leaſing the Fiſhery that may be thought Proper —— also to notify the town Creditors to bring in their accounts to the Selectmen at m^{r} John Bullards on Fryday he 2^{d} Day of march Next at 2: O Clock afternoon

Warrants were Issued Feb^{y}: ye 26. 1781

Attest Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{r} John Bullard on the 2^{d} Day of March AD 1781 for to Receive the Accounts of thoſe Perſons to town is Indebted the following were Preſented (Viz) by the Committee for providing for the School &c

Due to m^{r} Oliver W: Lane for keeping School 625 : 0 : 0

To Mr Seth Hastings for do	562 : 10 : 0
To mr Jona: Remington for do	500 : 0 ——
To mr Simon Whitney for Wood	104 : 3 : 4
To mr Amos Livermore for do	104 : 3 : 4
To mr Saml Soden for do	104 : 3 : 4
	£ 2000 : 0 : 0

Saml Fisk Acctt: for the poor &c	188 : 5 : 0
to Nathl Stone for do	126 : 17 : 0
to Moſes Stone for do	66 : 6 : 0
to Jedh Leathe for do	263 : 16 : 0
to Amos Livermore for do	18 : 0 : ——
to Jonathan Brown for Service Relating to Beef	24 : 0 : ——
to Jonas White for Collecting Beef &c	496 : 8 : ——
to Jedh Leathe for do	45 : 0 : ——
	£ 3228 : 12 : 0

The Selectmen Signed an order on the Town Treaſurer to Pay the Above Sums ———————— —

At the above meeting the following Accounts were brot: in to be laid before the town for their allowance (Viz) ————

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At a Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in Town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the Meeting House in Said town on Monday the 5th Day of March AD 1781 for the Choice of town officers & other things as Mentioned in the the Warrants for Calling the Meeting ————

Then mr Daniel Parker was Choſe moderator of the meeting — — Voted & Choſe for Selectmen ———

- mr Richd: Clark
- mr Amos Livermore
- mr Daniel Whitney
- mr Daniel Parker
- Lt. Chisr Grant jur

Choſe for Town-Clerk & Town Treaſurer Jona: Brown Esqr:

Choſe for Aſseſsors — — — —

- mr Nathl Bright
- mr Jona: Stone
- mr Francis Brown

Choſe for Constables m^{r} Stephen Whitney & m^{r} Josiah Sanderſon
Choſe for Wardens meſs^{r} Richard Richardſon & William Warrin
For Fence Viewers m^{r} Nathl Bemis & Lt William Warrin
Sealer of Leather m^{r} Stephen Whitney ————
Surveyors of Highways Dr Marſhall Spring & Mr Amos Livermore
Tythingmen meſs^{rs}. Peter Harrington & Daniel Bond ———
Howards meſs^{r} Abra^{m} Whitney & Daniel Mason
Surveyors of Timber meſs^{rs} David Sanger & John Capel
Clerks of the Markets Capt: Abner Craft & m^{r} Jed^{h} Leathe
Hogrieves Dr Marſhal Spring and Lt Amos Bond ———
Choſe m^{r} Phinehas Jeniſon Saxton. Then Voted that he Shall have two Contrabutions for his Service for the year ~
Voted that Swine Shall not Run at Large this year ———
(6) article being Read it was Voted to keep one School all the year to be kept the three Summer & the three Winter months in the middle School House & the other Part of the year to be kept at each end of the Town to be equally Divided also two more Schools 3 months in the winter one School at the West end & the other at the East end of the town — — — ————————
Voted & Granted £ 6000 pounds to Support ye Schools
Voted & Choſe for a Committee to take the care of the Schools Wm Hunt Esqr: m^{r} Amos Livermore & m^{r} Simon Whitney
Then they Voted to Chooſe a Committee of three men to Look into the matter Relating to John Stearnes place and make Report at the Adjournment — — — ————————
Votes were bro^{t}: in for a County Register & Treaſurer ———

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Voted & Choſe for Said Committee - - { m^{r} Saml White; Wm Hunt Esqr; Lt Amos Bond }

Then the Article Relating to James Hay was Read & Refered to the Selectmen ——— . . . .
the the article Relating to Raiſing men was Read & it was Voted that the Collectors Should be Called upon by the Treaſurer — —— before the adjournment & upon Failure for him to Issue his Executions . . .
Voted that the Committee appointed to hire men for the army be Authoriſed to hire money for that Purpoſe — — — —
Then Voted to Raiſe Six hundred Mill'd Dollars or the Value

thereof in Paper money. and that the Aſseſsors be directed to aſseſs Said money as Soon as may be — — ————————

Then the meeting was adjourned to next monday two O Clock afternoon at this place ————

Middleſex ſs march ye 5th: 1781 Then Dr Marſhall Spring Appeared & took the Oaths of Surveyor of Highways & Hogrieve, and L^t. Amos Bond the oath of Hogrieve Before me Jon^a: Brown Just^t: Peace

At a Publick Town Meeting held at the meeting Houſe on Monday the 12th: day of March A D1781. by adjournment — — — M^r: Daniel Parker being Moderator. the Meeting being opened an adreſs from the General Court to the Inhabitants being Read a motion being made & Seconed it was Voted that the Rev^d: m^r Eliot Should be Desired to Read the Same to the Congregation on the Lords Day —
then Voted that m^r Ezekiel Hall Should be a Committee to waite on m^r Eliot for that Purpoſe ————
Then the accounts of Several perſons &c. that the town is Indebted to were Read and are as follows (Viz) ————

Saml: Fisk Esqr for Serving Asſeſsor the year past on which the town allowed the Sum of	330 : 0 : 0
To Dea^n: Nathl: Stone for Like Service	384 : 0 : 0
To m^r Moſes Stone for like Service	360 : 0 : 0
To m^r Jed^h Leathe for like Service	592 : 0 : 0
To Jon^a Brown for like Service	384 : 0 : 0
To Jon^a: Brown for Serving Treaſurer	450 : 0 : 0
To the Selectmen for Expence the last year	366 : 0 : 0
To the Wid^o Mary Vila for Boarding Mary Learneds Child 48 Weeks at £ 15 pounds P week	726 : 0 : 0
	3592 : 0 : 0

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Then they Voted Choſe for a Committe to Exam the Treaſ^s acc^ts { m^r Jonas White, m^r Daniel Parker, m^r Nathl Harrington }

then the Selectmen that were Choſen on the fifth Inſtant Refused to Serve in that office. and the town Proceeded to another Choice

Chofe for Selectmen { Mr: Daniel Parker
Wm Hunt Esqr
mr: Josiah Bisco
Lt Amos Bond
mr Nathl Bright

Then Mefsrs: Jona: Stone & Francis Brown were Excufed by a Vote from Serving as afsefsors the Prefent year — — — — — — — — — — — —
Then they Voted that the three last Chofen Selectmen Shall be the Afsefsors the Prefent year (Viz) mr Josiah Bisco Lt Amos Bond & mr Nathll Bright - - - -
Voted that the Afsefsors Shall have 4s/ Silver money P day or Equivelent in Paper — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
Then they Voted to Choofe a Comtte. to Purchafe a Barrack for to Put the Poor into —

Chofe for Sd: Committee { mr Simon Hastings
mr Daniel Parker
mr Amos Livermore

Then Voted to Raife £ 15 pounds on a Single Poll and the Same Proportion on Estates to defray the Expence of Repairing the Highways this year. — then voted that the Price of Labour in working out the highway Rate Shall be £ 30 pounds P day for a man and the like Sum for a good team - - -
Then they Voted to Choofe two more Surveyors of Highways

Voted & Chofe Surveyors of Highways { mr David Coollidge
mr Nathl Harrington

Then Voted to Choofe a Comtte to Consider what Rates ought to be abated & make Report. ———

Chofe for Said Committee { mr Jedh Leathe
mr David Sanger
mr David Bemis

Then Voted to Choofe two Collectors of the town Tax's ———

Chofe for Said Collectors ~ { mr Daniel Mason
Lt William Warrin

then it was moved to adjourn the meeting to monday next at two O:Clock to meet at this Place which was accordingly don —

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of mr John Bullard on the 12th day of march 1781. mefsrs Josiah Bisco, Amos Bond and Nathll Bright were Sworn into the office of Afsefsors — — and mr Josiah Sanderfon to the office of Constable. Amos Liver-

more, and David Coollidge Surveyors of Highways. — Nathl. Bemis and William Warrin Fence-Viewers. Capt: Abner Craft & m^{r} Jed^{h}: Leathe Clerks of the Markets -

By Jon^{a}: Brown Just^{s}: Peace ————

At a Meeting of The freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at the Meeting House in Said Town on Monday the 19th Day of March AD: 1781. by adjournment — M^{r}: Daniel Parker being Moderator: The Meeting being opened the (12) article being Read they Voted & Granted the Sum of £ 8000 pounds to provide a House for the Poor and to Support them this year ————

then the Committe Appointed to Purchaſe a Barrack Informed that they had Purchaſed one for the use of the town —— they Voted to Chooſe a Committee to look out for a place whereon to Set the Same

Voted & Choſe for Said Committee —
- m^{r} David Bemis
- m^{r} Saml Soden
- m^{r} Amos Livermore
- m^{r} Josiah Bisco
- m^{r} John Cook

Then it was Voted to open a Subscription on foot to pay for the Barrack that has been purchaſed the perſons that Subscribe to be paid out of The tax's to be made for that Purpoſe the Sum that each perſon Shall Subscribe — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Then they Voted to abate the Sums which each perſon (that Went into the army last Summer for Six months) was taxed during the time of Six months from his inlistment ———

thomas Saffords & Ruggles Whitneys accounts were Read and it was voted that s^{d} accounts lye till it was know what town Mary Giles belongs to as they Reſpected her ————————

Then they Voted to Excuſe m^{r} Nathl: Harrington from Serving Surveyor of Highways after which m^{r} Daniel Whitney was Choſen — Then they Voted to Excuſe Lt Wm Warrin from Serving a Collector. — Then they Voted to Excuſe m^{r}: Stephen Whitney from Serving Constable upon his paying twenty five Milled Dollars or oth[er] money Equivelent which is to be Considered as his turn

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Then they Voted & Choſe m^{r} Samuel Cook Collector of Tax's — Voted & Choſe Mr Abraham Whitney Constable ————

Then Voted that all other matters be Refered to the Next Town-Meeting ————
Then the meeting was Defolved ————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 19th Day of march 1781 at the House of mr John Bullards. the Several perfons afternamed were Sworn into the Several offices aftermentioned (Viz) mr Peter Harrington Tythingman. mr Stepn Whitney Sealer of Leather - mr Daniel Whitney Surveyor of Highways — — —
Sworn by Jona: Brown Justs: Peace

At this Meeting the Selectmen Signed an order on the town treafurer to pay the Ballance of the Committees account for Service the last year being in full for Raifing men &c the whole Amounting to the Sum of £ 747 : 18-0—

At this meeting they Directed the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant to Warn the Inhabitants of the town who are Quallified to vote for the Choice of Governours & Senators to Meet at the Meeting on Monday the Second Day of April Next at two O Clock afternoon to give in their votes for Governors & Senators also for Such as are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to meet at the Same place at 3: O Clock the Same day in the afternoon to act on the following Articles (Viz)
(1ft) to Choofe a moderator ———— (2ly) To do any thing further that may be thot: Necefsary for providing a Houfe for the Poor, and act thereon as they think best — (3ly) To take into Consideration a Letter from the Committees of Corrofpondance meet at East-Sudbury Relating to the Tender act; and to act thereon as they think Proper ———— (4ly) to hear the Reports of any Committees and act thereon as may be thot: best. — (5ly) to act any thing Relating to abatement of Tax's or the Fishery or any other matters that were Refered to this meeting (6ly) to put in their Votes for a County Treafurer if they think Proper ———— (7ly) To Choofe any town officers in the Room of Such as Refufe or Neglect to Serve. ——
Warrants were Jssued accordingly
Pr Jona: Brown Town. Clerk

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified according to the Con-

stitution to to Vote in the Choice of a Governor. L^{t}: Governor & Senators Regularly Aſsembled at the meeting House in Said Town on Monday the Second Day of April 1781. —
The Meeting being Opened and the Votes were Called for, for a Governor and were bro^{t} in Counted & Sorted and it Appeared that His Excellency John Hancock Esqr. had twenty five Votes and that the Honor^{le}: James Bowdoin had Sixteen Votes also the Honr^{le}: Samuel Adams had one Vote ————
Then the votes were Called for for five Senators which being bro^{t}: in Sorted & Counted and it appeared the following Gentlemen had the number of Votes Set against their Reſpective names (Viz) —

The	Hon^{le} James Preſscot Esqr	27
	James Ruſsel Esqr	9
	John Tyng Esqr	24
	Josiah Stone Esqr	31
	Eleazor Brooks Esqr	2
	Abra^{m} Fullar Esqr	25
m^{r}:	Thos: Parker	8
maj^{r}:	Joseph Hoſmer	13
	Jon^{a}: Brown Esqr:	1

At a Publick town-Meeting the Day above Said of the Free-holders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the Meeting house to act on Sundry Matters Mentioned in the Warrant
They Voted & Choſe Daniel Parker Esqr: moderator ———
then the Committee appointed look out for a place to Set the houſe on for the poor: Reported that it was their Opinion that s^{d} Houſe Should be Set either on the South Side of the River upon the Bank West of the Great Bridge, or upon a peice of Town Land Near Convers Springs Houſe ————
Then it was Voted that it Should be Set on the Bank of the River as abovementioned — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
Then the Letter from the Committees of Corroſpondance was Read and Voted

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That the late Act for taking of the Tender of the money was not Agreable to the mind of the town — — — —
Then they Voted to Chooſe a Committee to Prepare Inſtructions for their Repreſentative Directing him to uſe his influence in the General Court to git the tender Put on again — — — — — —

Voted & Chofe for Said Com^{tte} — { L^{t}: Josiah Capen
m^{r} Saml: Soden
m^{r} Josiah Bisco
m^{r} Saml White
Wm Hunt Esqr
m^{r} Jonas White
m^{r} Rich^{d}: Clark

Then they voted to adjourn this meeting till Tomorrow to meet in this Place at 3: O: Clock afternoon — — — — — — — —

At a Genl Publick Town Meeting held at the Meeting Houfe on the third Day of April 1781. By Adjournment ———
Daniel Parker Esq: being Moderator — — — — — — — —
The Meeting being Opened they Proceeded to Bufinefs ———
Voted to Relinquifh on half of the Building that was purchafed for the town to the Committee that bought the Same — — —
Voted to Choofe three men to be a Committee to Remove s^{d} Building to the Place that has been Agreed by the town on the South Side of the River in Watertown - - -

Voted & Chofe for Said Committee { M^{r}: Simon Hastings
Mr Amos Livermore
m^{r} Jedidiah Leathe

Voted that Said Committee Apply to the Inhabitants of the Town to See what they will Subscribe for help to move s^{d} Building
Voted that Wednesday the 11th: Day of the present month be the time for moveing the Same if the Weather Permit &c
Voted the Tax's Set to the Soldiers in m^{r} Edmund Fowles Lists Shall be abated if they go into the Continential Army ———
Voted & Chofe m^{r}: William Harrington in the Room of m^{r} Abraham Whitney who had Refufed to Serve ————

Voted & Chofe m^{r} Joel White Collector in the Room of m^{r} Sam^{ll} Cooke who Refufed to Serve ————————————
then the Committee appointed to Prepare Inftructions to be given to their Reprefentative Laid a Draft thereof on ye Table which was Read & not accepted and Recommitted to the Same Committee — —
Then they Voted to adjourn the meeting to m^{r} John Bullards to meet in half an Hour from this time which will be at 7 O Clock

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The town being Met at Mr Bullards According to adjournment

but there being no Convenient Room that they Could have the Meeting was by a Voted Adjourned to M^{rs}: Dorothy Coollidges to there in a Quarter of an Hour - - They being met according to adjournment a Motion being made and Seconded They Voted to Reconſider all the Votes that had been Paſsed on the third article in the Warrant Relating to the Tender act (so Called) Then they Voted that their Repreſentative be Directed to use his Endeavour in the General Court that the Tender act that was Lately Repealed be Revived So far as it Concerns the tender —— Then it was Voted that the Names of the Perſons that voted for the Inſtruction & thoſe against it be taken by Yeas & Nays —— which are as follows (Viz) ————

Nays	Yeas
Moſes Stone	Jedidiah Leathe
Josiah Mixer	Moſes Coollidge
Moſes Stone ju^{r}	Abraham Whitney
Wm Warrin	Hugh Mason
Saml White	Amos Livermore
Edm^{d}: Fowle	Josiah Capen
Wm Hunt	Saml Barnard
Jon^{a}: Stone	Elijah Bond
Nathan Coollidge	Jonas White
Thos Pattin	Josiah Sanderſon
Josiah Norcroſs	Phin^{s}: Child
Saml Cook	Saml Spring
Henry Bradſhaw	Josiah Bisco
Daniel Parker	Daniel Sawin
Saml Richards	Jon^{a}: Child
	Simon Hastings
	Benjn. Capen
	Jon^{a}: Coollidge Godding
	Daniel Mason
	Eben^{r}: Everit
	Wm Harrington
	Rich^{d}. Everit
	Francis Brown
	Sam^{ll} Soden
	Simon Whitney

Then they Voted & Choſe m^{r} Daniel Cook Collector of Tax'*s* who Refused to Serve - - - - - Then they Choſe m^{r} Richd Everit & he Refuſed to Serve — Then they Choſe m^{r} Henry Bradſhaw who accepted ~

then m^{r}: Wm Harrington was Sworn into the office of Constable and m^{r} Henry Bradſhaw into the office of Collector

By Jon^{a}: Brown Just^{s} Peace

Then the Meeting was Adjourned to monday the 16th Day [of] this month to meet at the Meeting houſe at 4 O Clock afternoon

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Mrs: Dorothy Coollidge on monday the 7th Day of may AD 1781 ———
They agreed to have a Town Meeting at the meeting House on Monday ye 14th of may Inſtant at two O Clock afternoon for the Choice of a Representative ——— also an other Meeting at three O: Clock afternoon the Same day & at the Same Place to act on the following articles (Viz) First to Chooſe a Moderator (2ly) To do any thing further that may be thought Neceſsary for the finishing the Houſe for the Poor: — (3ly) to abate any Perſons Rates the town may think proper ——(4ly) To do any thing Relating to the Collectors Settleing their accounts that may be thought Proper (5ly) To appoint a Committee to Settle with the Revd mr Eliot for the last year: and make Proviſion for his Support for the year enſueing; (6ly) To know the minde of the town whether they will do any thing Relating to the Fenceing the Ministerial place and act thereon as they think Proper (7ly) To make Such grants of money as may be thot for the Benefitt of the town ——— (8ly) To appropriate the fines ariſing by Perſons Refusing to Serve in any town offices, or in any other ways; as the town think best; (9ly) To hear the Reports of any Committees and act thereon as they see fitt, (10) To appoint a Committee to See what peices of Land belonge to the town and to act any thing Relating thereto that may be thot: best; (11ly) To act on any other Matters that may be then thought Neceſsary ————————
Warrants were Issued to the Constables & Signed
By order of ye Selectmen — Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

At a meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified according to the Constitution to vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative held at the Meeting House on monday the 14th day of may 1781. being Regularly Aſsembled the Major part of ye Selectmen being Present: Jonathan Brown Esqr: was Chosen by the major Part of the Electors to Repreſent the town ye enſueing year in the General Court to be held at the State House in Boston on the Last Wednesday in the Present month of may &c

may ye 12th. 1781 mr Daniel Whitney notified the Selectmen that

he had Received into his houſe on David-Elvin. Morton who Came last from Gorham-Town in the County of Cumberland

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At a Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe on monday the 14th Day of may AD: 1781. They Choſe mr: Josiah Bisco Moderator of the meeting

Then mr John Cook Preſented a Petition Praying the town to Reconſider their votes Relating to the Placeing the House for the Poor. and after Debate thereon the Question was Put whether they will Reconſider Said Votes & it Paſsed in the Negative —— Then they voted to Chooſe a Committee to dig the Celler & Stone the Same —

Voted & Choſe for Said Committee— { Mr Daniel Sawin / Capt Josiah Capen— / Mr Jonas White

Voted that the Perſons that Request to have their Tax's abated Procure a list of the Same under the Hand of the Collectors & lay the Same before the town - - -

Voted that the Treaſurer Issue his Executions against Delinquent Collectors in one Month from this time — — — — — — — —

Voted to Chooſe a Committe to Settle with the Revd: mr Eliot

Voted & Choſe for Said Committee { Jona: Brown Esqr / mr Moſes Stone / Samll: Fisk Esqr:

Voted to Chooſe a Committee to Repair the fence on ye Miniſterial Place Agreable to Contract. — — —

Voted & Choſe for Said Committee — { Saml: Fisk Esqr / mr Jonas White / mr David Sanger

Voted to Refer all Grants of money to the Adjournment of the Meeting —— Then Voted the fines ariſing by Perſons Refusing to Serve in any Town offices the Present year be Appropriated for finiſhing the Barrack ————

Then the Meeting was adjourned to monday the 4 day of June Next 3 o Clock afternoon at this place ——

at a Meeting of the Selectmen mr Samuel Whitney Jun in a Notification that he had Received into his Houſe in Watertown

one John Wilson and Family last from Charlstown See the Notification on file

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe on Monday the 4th Day of June AD: 1781 ——
By adjournment mr: Josiah Bisco being Moderator the Second article being Read - They Voted to Chooſe a Committee to take care about the Houſe that the town has Provided for the Poor & do any thing that they find Neceſsary Relating to the Same that they Judge for the Benefitt of the town ————

Voted & Chooſe for Said Committee
- Saml: Fisk Esqr
- Jona: Brown Esqr
- mr David Bemis
- mr Richd: Clark
- Lt Amos Bond ——

Voted & abated mr Jonas Barneds Poll tax in mr Moſes Stone jur lists amounting to £ 46 : 12 : 0 ————————
Then they voted to Reconſider the Vote paſsed the Last Meeting for Appropriating the fines for finiſhing the Barrack ———
Then Voted to Excuſe Miſsrs Joel White & Richard Everit from Serving Collectors of tax's the Present year — — — — — —
Voted & Granted £ 12 pounds of the New Emiſsion to Repair the fence on the Miniſterial place ————————
Then Voted to Chooſe a Committee to See what Peices of land there is that belong to the town & make Report at the Next meeting ——

Voted & Choſe for Said Committe
- mr David Bemis
- mr Richd Clark
- Lt Amos Bond
- Lt Chisr Grant jur
- Saml Fisk Esqr

Then they Voted that the Constables & Collectors Stop taking the old Continential Currency for the Present ————
Then the Meeting was Diſsolved ————————
At a Meeting of the Selectmen ye 7th day of June 1781. they agreed to have a Publick town Meeting at the meeting house on Wednesday the 13th day of this Present month of June to act on the following articles (Viz) 1 To Chooſe a Moderator of the meeting 2d To take Some Effectual Meaſures to Compleat the

Raiſing of our Proportion of men to fill up the Continential Army agreable to the order of the Gen^{ll} Court &c ——— ——— [a]nd make Such Grants of money & do any other things Relating thereto [that] may appear Neceſsary

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe on the 13th Day of June AD 1781. to take Some Meaſures to fill up the Continential army &c ————

Voted & Choſe m^{r} Josiah Bisco Moderator of the Meeting ——

Voted that the Committee for hiring men be Deſired to uſe their best endeavors to hire men to Compleat the towns Quota of men for the Continential army & make Report of their doings at the Adjournment of this meeting ——— also Voted that if the Com^{tte} have Inlisted any who have not yet Paſsed muſter they be Desired to uſe their Endeavors that they be immeadiatly muſtered

Voted that S^{d} Com^{tte} be Desired to Report to the town what Sums of money they have on hand & what Sort of money that belongs to the town at the Adjournment of this meeting — also that the Collectors that have lists of Town tax's granted for the Purpoſe of hiring men be Desired to Report at s^{d}: Adjournment how much they have yet to Collect on s^{d} lists & what money they have on hand

Voted that the Committee be impowered to hire men with Stock or Produce ——— Then Voted to Adjourn s^{d} meeting to monday ye 18th of this Inſtant at four O: Clock afternoon then to meet at this Place

Attest Josiah Bisco Moderator ————

At a Publick Town Meeting held by adjournment at the Meeting Houſe on the 18th Day of June AD 1781. m^{r}: Josiah Bisco Moderator — the meeting being opened they Proceeded. And voted to Reconſider a vote at a former meeting Granting hard money to hire Soldiers being paid at the Rate of Seventy five old Continential Dollars in lieu of one in Silver ——— — — — — —

Then voted that the Collectors Should Receive no more old Currency for s^{d} Tax's but to Receive them in the New money or in hard coin ——

Voted y^{t}: the Collectors may Receive three new in Lieu of one Silver

then the meeting was adjournd to Wednesday the 20th:

Inſtant at 3: O Clock in the afternoon at this place ————

At a Publick Town meeting held at the meeting Houſe in Watertown on Wednesday the 20th Day of June 1781 by Adjournment ———— mr: Josiah Bisco being Moderator ——
Voted that the Commtte be desired to Report what money they have on hand. & that the Collectors Report what money they have yet to Collect & what they have on hand

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Voted that the Collectors be desired imediately to Pay what money they have now on hand that they have Collected for the Purpoſe of hiring men into the Committees hands ————
also Voted that sd: Committee Dispoſe of the old emiſsion in the best manner they can for the uſe of the Town ————
Voted that the Committee for hiring men be Directed to uſe their endeavours to have all the Perſons whome they have Inliſted (Except John Jacob Sawyer a Heſsion) imediately Muſtered —
Voted that the Sum of one hundred & eighty Pounds hard money be Granted for the purpoſe of hiring men and be aſseſsed & Collected imediately — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

At a publick town meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly aſsembled at the meeting House in sd Town on Fryday the Sixth Day of July AD 1781 ————
Voted & Choſe mr Josiah Bisco Moderator ————
on the 2d: article Voted to Grant a Sum of money to Procure the towns Quota of Beef ———— and the Sum of one Hundred Pounds hard money was Granted for that Purpoſe ————
on ye 4 Article Voted to Claſs the Inhabitants of the Town for the Purpoſe of hiring or Raiſing men for three & five months Agreable to the orders of the Genl Court ————
Voted to Chooſe a Committee to Claſs the Town into as many Claſses as there are men to be Raiſed ————

Choſe for Sd Committee ———— { Saml: Fisk Esqr
Jona: Brown Esqr
mr Jedh Leathe }

Then Voted to adjourn the meeting to Thursday the 12th Day of July at 3 O Clock afternoon at this Place

At a Publick Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown at the Meeting House on the 12th Day of July AD 1781 by adjournment ————

A Small Number being met They voted further to adjourn the Meeting to monday the 23d of this Inſtant July at 3 o Clock [afte]rnoon at this place.

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At a Publick Town Meeting held at the Meeting Houſe in Watertown on monday the 23d Day of July 1781 By adjournment ————

mr Josiah Bisco being Moderator — The meeting being opened

They Voted that the money Granted to hire men Should be paid in Specia ————

Voted to Reconſider a former vote for Claſsing the Inhabitants of of the town &c — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Voted & Granted 800 Dollars to hire men — and that it be aſseſsed emediately — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Then Voted that the Committee appointed to Raiſe men to fill the Continential Army be a Committee to hire men for the five and Three months Service ————————————

Then Voted to Suſpend the giveing the ordinary Rates to the Collectors for the Present ————————————

Then they voted that this meeting Should be Adjourned to monday the 6th Day of August Next at 4 o: Clock afternoon at this Place which was Accordingly don ————

At a Publick Town Meeting held at the Meeting on Monday the Sixth of August AD 1781. by adjournment ————

mr Josiah Bisco being Moderator ————

They took into Consideration the 2d Article Ralating to the Beef to be Provided for the Army —— and voted to Chooſe a Committee to Procure the Same - - -

Voted and Choſe for Said Committee — { Mr David Bemis / Mr Saml White / Mr: Simon Whitney }

Then they voted that all the tax's that the Collectors have or may Receive aſseſsed in hard coin Shall be Paid in like money any Votes before to the Contrary Notwithſtanding ————

Then the Meeting was Desolved ————

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At a meeting of the Selectmen on the 27 Day of Augt: AD. 1781 at the House of mrs: Dorothy Coollidge ——— They Signed orders on the Treaſurer to pay the wido Mary Vila the Sum of Seven Hundred & twenty Six pounds for Boarding Mary Learneds

Child — and to Pay m^{r}: Eliot 25 Pounds in part of his Sallery — also to Pay m^{r} David Sanger & others the Committe appointed to hire men to go into the Army the Sum of two Hundred Pounds for the Said Purpose ————————

At this meeting they Approbated m^{r}: Edwd: Richardſon m^{r} John Bullard & miſs Dorothy Coollidge for Inn-holders —— and the following perſons for Retailors (Viz) Capt: Abner Craft m^{r} Henry Bradſhaw L^{t}: Amos Bond. Daniel Parker Esqr — and m^{r} David Bemis - - - - - -

At a meeting of the Selectmen on the 10th Day of Aug^{t}: 1781 at the Houſe of m^{r}: John Bullard they Agreed to meet with the Selectmen of Weston & Waltham on monday the 24th Day of this present month of Sep^{r}: to Settle the accounts Relating to the Great-Bridge in Watertown and ordered ye Clerk to notify them to meet on the Day aforeSaid at the of m^{r}: Samuel Wellington in Waltham at three O:Clock in the afternoon ———— at this meeting they Received a notification from m^{r} Moſes Coollidge Informing that he had Received into his Family one Henry Prentice belonging to Cambridge who came to him the 28th Day of may last also William Hunt Esqr: gave notice in Writing that he had Received into his Family one abijah Fullar who Came from Newton on the first Day of August last ——— which Notifications are on file ————

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weston and Waltham on the 24 Day of Sep^{r}: 1781 at the Houſe of m^{r} Samuel Wellington Inn-holder the accounts for the Repairs of the Great Bridge in Watertown Since the Last Adjus^{t}. were adjusted amounting to the Sum of £ 16 : 16 : 0 of which ——

Watertowns Part was — —	5 : 19 : 4
Westons d^{o} was ——	5 : 13 : 6
Walthams d^{o} was —	5 : 3 : 2
	16 : 16 : 0

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September ye 25: 1781 a Notification was Received from Phinehas Child of his taking on Thomas Cooke from Cambridge to Dweell with him who came to Live about the month of April last

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 3^{d}: Day of October AD 1781 at Mr^{s}: Dorothy Coollidges. They Agreed to have a publick town Meeting at the Meeting Houſe on monday the Eighth Day

of this Present month of Oct^{r}: and Directed the Clerk to Issue Warrants to the Several Constables to warn the Inhabitants Quallified to act in town affairs to aſsemble at Said time & place to act on the following Articles (Viz). First to Chooſe a Moderator of the Meeting. (2^{ly}) To know the minde of the Town if they will Provide a place & finiſh the Poor Houſe, or otherwise Provide for their Subsiſtance, or act any thing Relating thereto they may Judge Proper ———— (3^{ly}) To Deviſe Sufficient means for Raiſing the Men for the Continential army (4^{ly}) To Provide for the Payment of Moneys due from the town to Individuals (5^{ly}) To See if the town will Conſolidate the tax's Now due in paper money, and in the Hands of Collectors and Direct the Same to be Collected in Gould & Silver agreable to the Value at the time of making the Same to be eſtimated by the State Scale of Depreciation, or act anything thereon they may thing Proper (6^{ly}) To come into Some Effectual Methods to Compell Collectors to pay in their Tax's Agreable to their Reſpective Warrants (7^{ly}) To Chooſe a Committee to look up town Lands and Report their doings and act thereon as may be Judged expedient, & to hear the Report of any Committees Reſpecting the Same &c ————————

Warrants were Issued Accordingly P Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly aſsemled at the meeting House on Monday ye 8th Day of October 1781.

To transact Several matters Contained in the Warrants for the Meeting. They Voted & Choſe Daniel Parker Esqr: moderator— the 2^{d} article was Read & put of to the Adjournment ————

The 3^{d} article Read & paſed over — — — — — — — — — —

(4th) Article Read & the Town Voted that a Committee of four be Choſen to Conſolidate the Tax's &c — Voted & Choſe Jonathan Brown Esqr: with the Present Aſseſsors for Said Committee — — — — — — — — — — — —

Voted that the paper money be Conſolidated agreable to the ti[me] the Rates became Payable — — — — — —

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At a Publick Town Meeting on monday 15th of October 1781 — held at the Meeting House By Adjournment ————

Daniel Parker Esqr: being Moderator the Meeting being opened

they Proceeded on the 2d Article & Voted that the Selectmen be Directed to Exchange the land owned by the town lying before the House in Which Convers Spring now lives —— or provide by purchaſe or otherwiſe a peice of Land to Set the House for the Poor upon —— Voted that a Committee be Choſen to Remove sd Houſe from where it now Stands unto Such Peice of land and there finiſh the Same ——— Voted that the Comtte: Consist of three Voted & Choſe mr: Amos Livermore mr Daniel Sawin & mr Simon Hastings be this Committee — Voted to Paſs over the third Artle (5th) Article.

Voted That a Committee be Choſe to Petition the General Court or Aſsembly to Paſs a Reſolve impowering this town to Liquidate all those Sums of Money which have been heretofore Granted by this town and are now due upon Paſs'd Aſseſsment, and make the Same payable in Solid Coin — Voted that this Committee Consist of one Voted that Jonathan Brown Esqr be this Committee —— (6ly) Article Voted that the Treaſurer be & hereby is Directed to Issue his Warrants against each Collector within fourteen Days from this date, for the Two Tax's Granted for the hire of Soldiers one of Six the other eight Hundred Dollars Specia. unleſs Paid before that time Expires article ye 7th: Voted that a Committee be Choſen to Aſcertain What Lands belong & Judgement to this town & if Need be, to Commence & proſecute to final Issue; any Action or Actions against any perſon or Perſons That Claim or poſseſs any Part of the Same ——— Voted that the Selectmen be directed to Supply this Committee with orders on the Treaſurer for Such Sums of money, as may be Neceſsary for Carrying on Such actions, ———— Voted that this Committee Conſiſt of Five ————

Voted & Choſe Samuel Fisk Esqr: mr David Bemis mr Samll White mr David Sanger and mr Richard Clark to be this Committee ———

Then the Meeting was Deſolved ————

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen November the 9th: 1781 ——— They agreed to have a Publick Town meeting at the meeting houſe on Wednesday the 14th Inſtant at two O Clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles (Viz) To Chooſe a moderator of the Meeting (2ly) To take into Consideration a Reſolve of the General Court for Compleating the Continential

Army and act thereon as they Judge Proper. (3ly) For the town to Determin upon the Mode and give Directions for the Collecting the outſtanding Tax's due to the town now in the Constables & Collectors hands; and do any thing Relating to the Paper money tax's Collected or not Collected they Judge Proper —
Warrants were Issued out directed to the Constables accordingly
By order of the Selectmen & Signed Jona: Brown Town-Clerk
At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the meeting House on Wednesday the 14th Day of Novr: AD 1781
They Choſe William Hunt Esqr: moderator of the meeting ——
Then they Voted that the treaſurer Should call upon the Collectors for the two tax's Last granted and aſseſs in hard money for ye Raiſing men to fill the army &c: and if they Should not pay them into the Treaſury by Next Wednesday then he Should Send out Executions for the Same — — — — — — — — — — — —
They then voted to Chooſe a Committee to use their endeavor to git the town Releaſed from two of the men Set to them as their Part of the Continential Army which are Suppoſed to be more than Watertowns Proportion ————

Voted & Choſe for Said Committee — { Jonathan Brown Esqr / William Hunt Esqr / mr Samuel White }

Then voted that the Treaſurer Call upon all the Collectors of tax's to pay in all the moneys they have Collected within the time limitted by the town for Receiving paper money they making oath that they Received the Same for Rates due to the town as aforeSaid
Voted also that all Committees that have paper money in their hands pay the Same into the treaſury before the adjournment of the meeting ——— Then the Meeting was adjourned to the first monday in December Next at two O: Clock in the afternoon in this place ————

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Wednesday the 14th day of November At mr John Bullards AD. 1781. an Account was brot: in from Samuel Jeniſon jur for labour at the great Bridge amounting to £ 2 : 8 : 0 also an Account from Seth Hastings for keeping School three Weeks and an half amounting to the Sum of } 4 : 13 : 6
which the Selectmen accepted & Signed an order on the treaſurer

to pay s^d^ accounts — They also Signed an order to Pay y^e^ following Perſons the Sums Set to each of their names being grants made them by the town last march (Viz) ————

	old Currency	Silver
To Sam^ll^ Fisk Esqr: as aſseſsor last year -	330=0 . 0——	4 : 8 : 1
To Nathl Stone for d^o^	384 : 0 : 0——	5 : 2 : 6
To Moſes Stone for d^o^	360 : 0 ——	4 : 16 : 2
To Jed^h^ Leathe for d^o^	592 : 0 ——	7 : 17 : 2
To Jon^a^ Brown for d^o^ & Treaſ^r^	834 : 0 ——	11 : 2 : 7
To y^e^ Selectmen for expence last year	366 : 0 ——	4 : 17 : 9
	2866 : 0 : 0 —	28 : 4 : 3

At the above Meeting they Signed an order to M^r^: Eliot for twenty five Pounds in part of his Sallary the order is dated the 8th Day of Oct^r^: last past ————

At a Publick Town Meeting held by adjournment on Monday the 3^d^ Day of December 1781 at the Meeting House in Watertown by the Inhabitants of s^d^ Town Quallified to Vote in town affairs

William Hunt Esqr: being moderator ————

The meeting being opened they Proceeded and ————

Voted the Execution against m^r^: Daniel Mason be Staid ten days from this time —

Voted that the Execution against m^r^: Henry Bradſhaw be Sent out emediately —

Voted that a Committee be Chosen to Aſsist the Treaſurer in arranging & Stating the Towns Accounts & Liquidating the money due to & from the town as well Individuals as others the Tax's to be included, that a Compleat State of the Debt & Credit may be know at the adjournment of this meeting

Voted to Chooſe three men to be on this Committe ————

Voted and Choſe for s^d^: Committe { L^t^: Amos Bond
William Hunt Esqr
m^r^: Josiah Bisco

Then voted that this meeting be adjourned to the first monday in January Next which was accordingly don to be at two Clock afternoon at this place

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At a meeting of the Selectmen at m^r^: John Bullards on the 3^d^: day of December 1781. They agreed with m^r^: Josiah Norcroſs to

keep Ruth Maddox from this day till further orders for which he is to have 4/ P^r^ week — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
and They Signed an order on the treafurer to pay the following Sums hereafter mentioned (Viz). To the Rev^d^: m^r^: Eliot in full of his Sallery the present year — — — — — — — £ 50 : 0 : 0
to Daniel Parker Esqr for the Beef he provided — 82 : 13 : 6
to Jedidiah Learned for Boarding Mary Learned 1 : 4 : 0

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 17th Day of December 1781. at the Houfe of the wid° Dorothy Coollidge ——— They Signed an order on the Town Treafurer to Pay M^r^: Bezaleel Howard or his order the Sum of 715 : 7 : 0 old Currency or in Silver equal thereto which is £9 : 8 : 2

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of of Watertown Quallified according to law Regularly afsembled at the Meeting Houfe in s^d^: town on Monday ye 7th Day of January AD: 1782
By Adjournment Wm Hunt Esqr: being Moderator -
The (2^d^) article in the Warrant being Read: And the Committee appointed to hire men for the Continential Army Informed that they had made Such Provifion for Supplying this towns Proportion that they Suppofed the Number was Compleat therefore no other Meafures were taken — — — ————————
Then the Committee Appointed to afsift the Treafurer in Settleing the towns accounts Reported what they had don on that affair which was Voted & accepted So far as it Related to any Grants made to Perticular Perfons

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of m^rs^ Dorothy Coollidge on monday the 18th: Day of Feb^y^: 1782 ————
They agreed to have the Publick annual Town meeting on the 4th Day of March Next at 9 o Clock in the forenoon at the Meeting Houfe and ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to the Constables to to Warn the Inhabitants of the town who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to Afsemble at Said time and place for the Purpofes hereafter mentioned (Viz) First to Choofe a moderator of ye meeting (2) To Choofe Selectmen Town-Clerk & all other Town officers Required to be Chofe in ye month of march Annually (3) To Choofe a Saxton and agree how he Shall be Paid for his Service (4) To Determine Whether

Swine Shall Run at Large the enſueing year. (5) to put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer (6) To agree what Schools Shall be kept, and Grant money to Support the Same & do any Relating thereto they thing Proper. (7) To grant money to Support the Poor, & do any thing further Neceſsary to finiſh the Houſe that was Purchaſed for that use & make Such proviſion for the Poor as may be thought Proper. (8) To Grant money to Support the Gre[a]t Bridge and do any thing that may be tho[t]: Neceſsary for the Recovery of Weston and Walthams Proportion of the Charge of the Support of y[e] Bridge over the Mill-Creek and do any thing thereon they think Proper. (9) To Grant money to repair the Highways & Town-ways and Pay Collectors & do any thing thereon they may think proper. (10) To hear the Accounts of thoſe perſons the town is indebted to and Grant money to pay the Same (11) To Agree upon Some Method to pay the Rev[d]: M[r]: Eliots Sallary Quarterly, and Act thereon as the town may think Proper. (12) To know the minds of the town what they will do with the towns Estate lately belonging to John Stearnes, and Act thereon as they think Proper ——— (13) To hear the Reports of any Committees, and Act thereon as the town may think best. (14) To know the minds of the town Whether they will let the Fishery. and Act Any thing thereon or Relating thereto the town may think Proper —— (15) To know y[e] minds of the town whether they will make any further grants to officers or Privates that have been in the Publick Service at Cannada Ticonderoga or else where not included in any former Votes, and act thereon as they may think proper ———— (16) To know the minds of the town, Whether they will Petition the General Court for that Part of Newton (Called Angiers Corner) to be annexed to Watertown, and Act any thing thereon as they think proper. (17) To know the minds of the town, if they will Call for the Outſtanding Debts due to the town from Individuals, and act any thing thereon they think Proper —— [(18)] To know the minds of the town. Whether they will do any thing Reſpecting the Collecting of Outſtanding paper money Tax's, and act thereon as they think Proper ———

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(19) To know the minds of the town whether they will abate any Perticular Perſons Rates. and act thereon as they See fitt ——— (20) To act on any other matters that may be thought Neceſsary at this time. and Likewiſe to Notify the town Creditors to bring in

their Accounts to the Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{rs} Dorothy Coollidge on Fryday the first day of march Next at three o Clock afternoon ——— Warrants were Issued out Accordingly and Signed Pr Order of the Selectmen Jon^{a} Brown Town-Clerk

At this Meeting the following accounts were bro^{t}: to the Selectmen (Viz)

W^{m}. Hunts account for Supplys to the poor and other Expences for the town as P^{r} acc^{ts} — — —	4 : 11 : ——
Amos Bond for Supplys for the poor —	0 : 14 : 4
Simon Whitney for Wood for the School	3 : 7 : 4
	8 : 12 : 8

Bridge acc^{tts}	Samuel Hager for timber for the Great Bridge &c — — —	15 : 0 : 0
	Cornelius Park for Labour at the Bridge — — — — —	0 : 12 : 0
	Seth Norcroſs for d^{o}: at D^{o}	0 : 12 : 0
		£ 16 : 4 : 0

Orders were Signed on the Treaſurer to Pay the above acc^{tts}

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of Mrs Dorothy Coollidge on the first Day of March 1782 the following acc^{tts} were Received by the Selectmen and allowed (Viz)

To the wid^{o} Mary Vila for Board for Mary Learneds Child - -	11 : 0 : 6
To Nathl Bridge for keeping School — — —	16 : 10 : 0
To Seth Hastings for D^{o} — — — — — —	16 : 10 : 0
To Oliver W. Lane for Do — — — — —	18 : 0 : 0
To Amos Livermore for Wood for ye School	3 : 18 : 9
To Josiah Norcroſs for Boarding Ruth Maddox	2 : 12 : 0
To Nathl Bright for the Poor — — — — —	4 : 11 : 8
To Jed^{h} Leathe for ye poor — — — ———	
To Stephen Cook for Labour at the Great Bridge	3 : 13 : 6
To Jon^{a} Brown to pay Sherrif Bauldwins fees	5 : 7 : 0
To Daniel Parker & others for Cloathing —	33 : 12 : 0 ——
To Josiah Bisco Acc^{tt} for the poor ———	0 : 14 : 0
To Newton Baxters acc^{tt} for ye Bridge — —	0 : 4 : 0
To Jon^{a} Browns Acc^{tt} for paying for Beef —	0 : 18 : 0
To Joseph Grardners Lab^{r} at the Great Bridge	0 : 9 : 0
March ye 4: 1782 the Selectmen Signed an order to pay this Sum — — — — —	£ 118 : 0 : 5

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At a Publick Town Meting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in Town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe in Said Town on monday ye 4th Day of march AD 1782. for the Choice of Town officers and other affairs & Setforth in the Warrants for calling the meeting

Voted & Choſe Daniel Parker Esqr: moderator of ye Meeting

Voted & Choſe for Selectmen —— { Daniel Parker Esqr: / m^r^: Josiah Bisco / m^r^ Daniel Whitney / L^t^: Amos Bond / Lt Nathl: Bright

Voted & Choſe for Town-Clerk & Town-Treaſurer Jon^a^ Brown Esqr:

Voted & Choſe for Aſseſsors — — { m^r^: Josiah Bisco / Lt Amos Bond / Lt Nathl Bright

Choſe Wardens Miſs^rs^ Thomas Harrington & Samuel Hager —
Fence-Viewers m^rs^ Richard Richardson & Lt Nathl Bright
Sealer of Leather m^r^ Stephen Whitney — — — — ———
Surveyors of Highways m^r^ Richard Clark Moſes Coollidge, Simon Whitney and Joel White — — — — — ————————
Tythingmen Miſr^s^ John Draper & Phinehas Child ————
Howards miſs^rs^ Peter Harrington & William Chenery ————
Surveyors of Timber &c miſr^s^ David Sanger & Simon Hastings —
Clerks of ye Markets miſs^rs^ Jed^h^ Leathe & John Bullard
Hogrieves Miſs^rs^ Joel White & Henry Bradſhaw ————
Choſe for Saxton m^r^ Phin^s^ Jeniſon Voted & Granted him £ 3 : 12 : 0— for his Service-

Then voted y^t^: Swine Shall not Run at Large the Preſent year — then the votes were bro^t^: in for a County Treaſurer ————
Then the artile Relating to Schools was Read & they voted that there Shall be three Schools kept 4 months each all to be opened at the Same time —

Voted that the Schools be opened on the first Day of Novr Next. Then Voted to Reconſider the above vote. then Voted & Granted £ 80 Pounds to Support the Schools, —— Then Voted to Divide the town into three Diſtricts to keep the Schools in, — Then Voted to Chooſe a Committee for the Purpoſe of the Schools Destricts being made out ———

Voted & Choſe for Said Committee —— { Jed^{h} Leathe
Josiah Bisco
Amos Livermore

Then the (16) article was Read relating to Newton and then they voted that they would Not petition the Genl. Court and that the Article be Diſmiſt — — — —

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On the Sixth article. Voted & Granted £ 60 pounds to Support the Poor ye present year — Then voted to Chooſe five men to be overſeers of ye poor & to fit up the poor Houſe where it now Stands or in Such other place as the town Shall Direct. — Voted y^{t} the Selectmen be appointed for that Purpoſe - - - - Then Voted to Reconsider the last vote ————————

Then Voted to Chooſe a Committee to finiſh the poor Houſe —

Voted & Choſe for Said Committee — { M^{r}: Simon Hastings
m^{r} Daniel Mason
m^{r} Rich^{d}: Richardſon

then the article Relating to the Bridge was put over to the Next Meeting — — — —

Then the Article Relating to the Highways was Read & they voted that one Single Poll Should be Set at half a Days work and the Estates in Proportion

Then They voted to give Collectors of Tax's 1½ Pr Cent for Collecting - - -

Then they Voted to Adjourn the meeting to monday the 18th Day of this Present month at this Place at two O Clock afternoon which was Accordingly don ————

march ye 4: 1782 miſs^{rs} Joel White and Henry Bradſhaw were Sworn into the office of Hogrieves.

By William Hunt: Jus^{ts}: Peace

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{r} John Bullard on Monday the 11th Day of March 1782 the following Perſons were Sworn into the Several offices hereafter mentioned (Viz) Richard Richardſon Fence-Viewer, Stephen Whitney Sealer of leather Richard Clark, Moſes Coollidge, & Joel White, Surveyors of High-ways Phinehas Child Tythingman Peter Harrington Howard —— David Sanger Surveyor of Timber, Jed^{h} Leathe & John Bullard Clerk of the Markets — — — — — —

Sworn By Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

Watertown March ye 18th 1782. Mifs^r Josiah Bisco, Amos Bond, and Nathaniel Bright were Sworn as Afsefsors ~

Nathl Bright Fence-Viewer, Simon Whitney Surveyor of Highways
William Chenery Howard,
Sworn by W^m: Hunt Just^s Peace

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At a Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Afsembled at the Publick Meeting houfe on Monday the 18th Day of March AD: 1782 — By adjournment. Daniel Parker Esqr: being absent the Town Voted & Chofe William Hunt Esqr: Moderator of ye Meeting
Then they Proceeded to fill up the Vacancys of Town officers
Voted & Chofe Mr Saml Benjamin & m^r David Stone Constables
Voted & Chofe Mi^rf^rs: Jonathan Stone & Daniel Cook Collectors
Then Voted that the Consideration of a Grant for the great Bridge be put of for the Present — — — — — — — — — — —
Then a motion was made for to Reconfider a vote Pafsed at the last meeting & it Pafsed in the affirmative Relating to Petitioning the General Court for part of Newton — — — —
and They Voted to Choofe a Committee of five perfons to Confer with the Inhabitants of Newton at Angiers Corner (so Called) on the affair - - -

Voted & Chofe for S^d: Committee
- m^r: David Bemis
- m^r Richard Clark
- William Hunt Esqr
- Lt Amos Bond
- m^r David Sanger

voted y^t Said Committee joine with the Inhabitants of Newton who think proper to Petition the Great & General Court that part of the Town of Newton may be annext to the town of Watertown ——— - - - - ——
Voted that Such Perfons as are Indebted to the town by Bond &c Should pay the Interest that is due and Renew their Bonds as Soon as may be — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
Then the (11) article Relating to m^r: Eliots Sallery was Read & and they Voted that it Should be paid Quarterly but after further Consideration they Reconfidered the vote — — ——
Then the accounts of thofe perfons the town is Indebted to were Read and Accepted. Except: Whitneys & Saffords which were

Committed to miſrs Samuel Barnard, Jedidiah Leathe & Moſes Stone jur

They the (15) article was Read & Voted yt. the Selectmen Consider thereof & Report what is proper to be don thereon — — the article Relating to John Stearnes place being Read. They voted to Chooſe a Committee of five to Consider thereof & Report

Choſe for Said Committee — —
- mr Richd Clark
- mr Jedh Leathe
- mr David Bemis
- Wm. Hunt Esqr
- majr Saml Barnard

Then the article Relating to the Fiſhery was Read & Voted to Chooſe a Committee to Petition the Genll Court for Liberty [to] Leaſe the Same

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Choſe for Said Committee
- Daniel Parker Esqr
- William Hunt Esqr:
- Lt Amos Bond
- Jona Brown Esqr
- majr Saml: Barnard

Then they Voted that the Selectmen Consider what is proper to be don Relating to the Repairs & Support of the Crick Bridge with regard to the Dispute with Weston & Waltham and make Report as Soon as may be — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Then they voted to Chooſe a Committee to Conſolidate the Tax's in paper money which are Outſtanding — — — — — — — —

Voted & Choſe for Said Committee —
- Lt Amos Bond
- William Hunt Esqr
- mr Josiah Bisco ——

Then they Voted and Choſe for a Committee to take care to See the Bonds & Notes &c Renewed
- Jona Brown Esqr
- Wm Hunt Esqr
- mr Jedh Leathe

Voted that ye Treaſurer Call on the Delinquent Collectors & if they do not Settle their acctts: in one month to Send Executions

The accounts that were allowed are as follows (Viz) ~

To Josiah Bisco for Serving Aſseſsor ye year Past	4 : 18 : 0
To Amos Bond for like Service — — — — — —	4 : 12 : 0
To Nathaniel Bright for do — — — — — — —	4 : 12 : 0
To Jonathan Brown for Serving Treaſurer —	12 : 0 ———
To Moſes Coollidge for Smith work — — — —	1 : 10 ———

To Amos Livermore for Work at the Barrak —	5 : 6 : ——
To Simon Hastings for d° — — — — — — — —	3 : 19 : 6
To Edward Harrington for Stones for a Bridge	0 : 18 : 0——
To the Selectmen for Expences Last year — —	5 : 0 : ——
	£ 42 : 15 : 6

The Committee Appointed to Divide the Town into three Deſtricts for the School Reported their doings, — and the town Voted that the Consideration thereof be Refered to April meeting

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Wednesday ye 20th day of March 1782 at the Houſe of m^r: Mathew Fairſervice they ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to the Constables to Warn the freeholders & other Inhabitants Quallified agreable to the Constitution to Aſsemble at the Meeting Houſe on monday the first Day of April at one O: Clock in the afternoon to Put in their Votes for a Governor Leiu^t Governor & Senator, they also agreed to have an other meeting at the Same place the Same day at 3 O: Clock afternoon to act on the following Articles (Viz)
First to Chooſe a moderator of the Meeting

(2) To Chooſe any town officers in the Room of Such as Refuſe to Serve &c

(3) To know the minde of the town whether they will dismiſs the Committee that were Chosen & appointed on the 18th day of March Inſtant to Petition the General Court for part of Newton ——— and to Act any thing thereon they think proper ———

(4) To know the minde of the town Whether they will do any thing Relating to the fenceing the Miniſterial Place, and make Such a grant of money as they think Proper. and to Chooſe a Committee to Settle accounts with the Rev^d m^r Eliot and to Determin when his yearly Sallary in futer Shall begin and act anything on the affair that may be tho^t proper -

(5) To know the minde of the town Whether will Sell the Barrack that was Purchaſed to make a Houſe for the use of the Poor, or give Such Inſtructions to the Committee that was Choſen to finish the Same, and to act on the Matter as they think Proper —

(6) To know the minde of the town Whether they will Abate any Perticular Perſons Rates and act thereon as they See fit.

(7) To Hear the Reports of any Committees and make any further grants of money they Judge Neceſsary
(8) To appoint a Committee to Examin the treaſurers accounts and do any other thing or Matters that may be thought Neceſsary

Warrants were Issued out accordingly
Pr Jon^a^: Brown Town-Clerk

Watertown April ye 1th: 1782. miſr^s^ William Warrin and David Stone Were Sworn into the office of Constable and Daniel Cook & Jonathan Stone into the office of Collector
By William Hunt Just^s^: Peace

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At a Publick Town meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified according to the Constitution to Vote for a Governor & Lieu^t^ Governor and Senators Regularly aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe in S^d^: Town on Monday ye First Day of April Anno: Domini 1782

The Selectmen being present the meeting being opened the Votes for a Governor were Called for being bro^t^: in Sorted & Counted it appeared that His Excellency John Hancock Esqr: had 40 Votes & the Hon^ll^: James Bowdoin had 6 Votes The Hon^ll^ Thos Cuſhing had 6 Votes & Azor orne had 17 for Lt Governor. ————

Then the Votes were bro^t^: in for Senators & being Sorted & Counted it appeared that the Several Perſons afternamed had the Number Set against his Name which are as follows (Viz) — —

James Sullivan Esqr	16	Hon^l^ James Prescot Esqr	41
Jon^a^: Brown Esqr	21	Josiah Stone Esqr.	2
Sam^ll^: Thatcher Esqr	22	Abraham Fullar Esqr	30
William Hunt Esqr	2	Nathl Gorham Esqr:	5
Daniel Parker Esqr	2	Eben^r^ Bridge Esqr	43
Mr Willis Hall	1	John Tyng Esqr	20
		James Ruſsel Esqr	17

At a Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe on Monday the 1^ft^: Day of April AD 1782. to transact Several affairs at Setforth in the Warrant for Calling the Meeting — Voted & Choſe Daniel Parker Esqr: Moderator —

Then the article Relating to Choofing Town officers was Read and m^r^ Saml Benjamin asked to be Excufed from Serving & by a vote was Excufed the Present year — — — — — — — — — —
Then the article Relating to Newton was Read & after longe Debate thereon they Voted to Dismifs it — — — — — — — — — —
Then they Voted & Chofe - - - - L^t^: William Warrin Constable Voted that the Committee Appointed to finish the Barrack Proceed on the affair as Soon as may be — — — — — — — — — —
then the Sixth Article was Read Relating to Sinking Tax's and was Past over

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Then they took into Consideration the article Realating to the Fencing the Minifterial Place and after Debate thereon they Voted that they would not be at any further expence about the infide fences: ——— Then they Voted that a Committee be Chofen to Settle with the Rev^d^: m^r^: Eliot refpecting his Sallary & determin at what Period it Shall begin in futer. and make Report of the State of the fences on the minifterial Place; and put the outfide fences on the minifterial place in good repair — — —

Voted & Chofe for S^d^: Committee { m^r^: Phin^s^ Harrington; m^r^ Thos: Learned; m^r^ Rich^d^: Clark }

Then Voted y^t^ a former Committee Chosen last year to Settle with m^r^: Eliot Joine them in s^d^: Service. which are as follows (Viz)

the former Committee ——— { Jon^a^ Brown Esqr; m^r^ Mofes Stone; Saml Fisk Esqr }

Then the Committee to whome were Committed Sundry accounts Reported as follows (Viz)

That m^r^ Nathl Ruggles Whitney Receive on his acc^tt^:	£ 1 : 9 : 9
and m^r^ Thomas Safford receive on his Acc^tt^ — — —	3 : 18 : 0
Voted and Granted for to pay Said accounts — —	5 : 7 : 9

Then the Report of ye Committee on the affair of John Stearnes was Read & is as follows (Viz) ——— We the Subscriber a Committe Appointed by the town to take into Consideration the Circumftances refpecting the purchafe of the Estate late belonging to John Stearnes by the Town also refpecting any Moneys Paid by the Town for Said Estate, & now in the hands of the Guardians;

also Reſpecting a reconveyance of Said Estate to Said Stearnes; are of Opinion that the town reconvey to said Stearnes Said Estate upon his paying the Town the moneys paid by them for Said Estate with the Interest thereof, and that the moneys now in the Hands of the Guardians (being the Same paid by the town) be Received as part of the Sum paid by the town for Said Estate; That any Rents Received by the town be Conſidered as part towards the Interest to be Estimated according to the Value at the time of Payment, Agreable to the Scale of Depreciation,

Richard Clark
Jed^{h} Leathe
William Hunt
David Bemis
Sam^{ll} Barnard

which Report was accepted

then

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Then they took into Consideration the Report of the Committee that were Choſen to Divide ye Inhabitants of the town into School Deſtricts; after Debate thereon it ^{was} Voted & accepted. See ye Report on file — — — — —

Then they voted & Choſe as a Com^{tte}. to Examin ye Treaſurer acc^{tt} { Wm Hunt Esqr, Lt Amos Bond, m^{r} David Bemis }

Then the Meeting was Deſolved ————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen the Sixth Day of May AD 1782 they Agreed to have a Publick Town Meeting on the 13th Day of may Inſtant at two O: Clock afternoon at the Meeting Houſe to Chooſe a Repreſentative to Serve the town in the Great & General Court the year ensueing - - - - -
also to have an other Meeting on the Same day at the Same Place at three O Clock to Act on the following articles (Viz) First to Chooſe a Moderator of the Meeting ———— (2) To know the mind of the Town Whether they will Chooſe a Committee to reconvey the Estate that was John Stearnes's to him again agreable to a vote of the town - (3^{ly}) To know the mind of the town whether they will Require Bonds of the Constables & Collectors For the Towns Security: — (4^{ly}) To know the mind of the town whether they will Come into Some Method to Repair the

Building Procured for the use of the Poor. or act any-thing Relating thereto (5ly) To know the mind of the town whether they will Appoint a Committee to Commence a Suit against the town of Waltham in caſe they Refuse to Pay their Proportion of the expence of the Repairs don to the Great Bridge: (6ly) To Chooſe any town officers that may be Neceſsary: —— (7ly) To do any thing relating to Collectors Settleing their Accounts that may be thought Proper (8th) To hear the Reports of any Committees and act thereon as they think proper — (9ly) To Act on any other Matters that may be thot: Neceſsary ———

Warrants were Issued to the Constables Directing them to warn the Meetings for the Purpoſes above mentioned ———

Pr Order of ye Selectmen———

Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

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At a meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown at the Meeting House on monday the 13th Day of May: AD 1782. for the Choice of a Representative the meeting being Opened upon a motion made the Town Voted not to Send a Representative after which a Debate arose concerning the Legallity of Such a Vote and they voted that the meeting Should be Diſolved & an other Called for the Like purpoſe to be on Fryday Next at two O: Clock at the Meeting Houſe

At a Publick Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe in Said town on Monday the 13th Day of May AD: 1782 They Voted & Choſe Dr Marſhall Spring Moderator Then the meeting was adjourned to Fryday Next two o Clock afternoon to meet in this Place ———

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 13th Day of May 1782 — They directed the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to the Constable to Warn all the Inhabitants who are Quallified to vote for Representatives to aſsemble at the meeting House on Fryday Next to Chooſe a Representative for the enſueing year if they think Proper.

Warrants were Issued accordingly

Pr Jona Brown Town-Clerk

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of Water-

town aſsembled for the Choice of a Representative after longe Debate they Voted not to come to the Choice of a Perſon for to Repreſent them in the General Court the Present year 1782 —— then Voted that the thanks of this town be given to Jonathan Brown Esqr for his faithfull Services in Repreſenting them in ye Genl Court Several years past

At a Publick Town Meeting held at the Meeting Houſe on Fryday the 17 day of May 1782: By Adjournment ————

D^{r}: Marſhall Spring being Moderator: the Meeting being opened on the 2^{d} article They Voted to Chooſe a Committee to reconvey the Estate that was John Stearnes to him again agreable to the Conditions mentioned in a former vote of the Town ———

Choſe for Said Committee ——— { William Hunt Esqr / Saml Fisk Esqr / Mr David Bemis

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Then the 3^{d} article was Read and they voted that the Constables and Collectors Shall give Bonds for their faithfull performance of the trust Repoſed in then in Collecting the tax's &c ————

Then they Voted that they would Sell the Houſe that was purchaſed for the use of the Poor to prevent the Same from being Deſtroyed &c

Choſe as a Com^{tte}. for y^{t}: Purpoſe - { m^{r}: David Sanger / m^{r} Simon Hastings / Daniel Parker Esqr

Then Voted y^{t}: Such Constables & Collectors as had lists of Rates Committed to them before the month of may last if they do not Settle them within Six weeks from this time then Executions Shall Issue out against them — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Then the Committee appointed to See to the Repairing the fencing on the miniſterial Place bro^{t}: in an account for Fencing-Stuff and Labour ammounting to the Sum of £ 10 : 7 : 8 pence which was allowed & Granted — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Then the meeting was Deſolved ————————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston, & Waltham on the 27 day of May 1782 at the Houſe of Capt: Isaac Gleaſon Inn holder in Waltham They Proportioned the Charge that had ariſen for ye Repairs of the Great Bridge in Watertown Since the last adjustment amounting to the Sum of £ 22 : 19 : 0 : 3 of which Sum ——

Watertowns	Part	is	8 : 5 : 2
Weston s	d°	is	7 : 7 : 9 : 3
Walthams	d°	is	7 : 6 : 1
			£ 22 : 19 : 0 : 3

At the Same time and place the Selectmen of Watertown & Waltham Settled and Adjusted an acc^{tt}: for the Support of one Abigail Ball a Poor Perſon Suppoſed to belong to the two towns to Support ——— The account is as follows (Viz) ———

To Boarding her 25 Weeks being from Dec^{r}: ye 5: 1781 to may 27: 1782 @ 6/ P Week — — 7 : 10 : 0

Watertowns Tax is	720 : 16 : 8	Watertowns Proportion is	£ 3 : 18 : 9
Walthams d° is	637 : 10 : 0	Walthams d°: is —	3 : 11 : 3
	1358 : 6 : 8		7 : 10 : 0

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen of the town of Watertown June the 18th: 1782. They Agreed to Call a Town-Meeting to be at the Meeting Houſe on monday the 24th Inſtant at 4 O Clock afternoon & Directed the Clerk to Issue Warrants to the Constable to Warn the Inhabitants to meet at Said time & place for the following Purpoſes (Viz) First to Chooſe a moderator of the Meeting (2) To Chooſe any Constables or Collectors (if need be) in the Room of Such as Neglect or Refuse to give Bond to the treaſurer for the Security of the town for the faithfull Discharge of their trust ———

(3) To Hear the Reports of any Committees and act thereon as they See fitt ——— (4) To do any Thing the town may think Neceſsary to Prevent the Paſsuage through Cambridge Bridge being Shut up: —— And to make any grants of money for Such Purpoſes as they See best, and do any other matters that Shall Appear Neceſsary ———

Warrants were Issued accordingly

P Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe on Monday the 24th Day of June 1782: To transact Sundry affairs as Mentioned in the Warrants for Calling the Meeting They Voted & Choſe m^{r}: David Bemis Moderator of the Meeting

after Considering the affair Relating to Constables & Collectors they Voted to put of the further Consideration for the present They then Entered into a Debate upon the Petition of the Selectmen being Presented to the General Court to Endeavor to prevent the Draw-Bridge at Cambridge being Shut up & after Debate thereon They Voted to Choofe a Com^{tte} to appear before the Committee of the General Court to Shew Cause why the Draw-Bridge at Cambridge ought not to be Discontinued ———

Chofe for Said Committee —— { Jon^{a}: Brown Esqr / Dr Marfhall Spring / Wm Hunt Esqr }

Then the meeting was adjourned to monday Next 5 o Clock afternoon ————

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At a Legal Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly afsembled at the meeting House on monday ye 1th day of July AD 1782. by adjournment Mr David Bemis being moderator They took into Consideration the 2^{d} article in the Warrant for Calling the meeting & after Longe Debate thereon they voted to Choofe a Committee to apply to the General Court to Impower the town to come to a New Choice of Constables & Collectors in the Room of Such as may Refuse to Comply with the Votes of the town Refpecting Constables & Collectors

Then Voted that the Selectmen be Said Committee ———

Then the meeting was adjourned to monday the 15th Inftant at this Place —

At a Legal Town Meeting held by adjournment at the Meeting Houfe of the freeholders &c. in Watertown on Monday the 15th day of July 1782 - The moderator being absent m^{r} Ezek^{l}. Whitney was Chosen but Refused to Serve = Then they Voted that the Town-Clerk Should put the votes in the Room of the moderator ——— There being a very thin meeting after Reading Some Refolves of the General Court of Great Importance They voted to put off the Consideration of the Same together with the Proper Bufinefs of the meeting to monday Next at 5 O Clock in the afternoon —— Then they voted that the Selectmen Desire the Rev^{d}: m^{r} Eliot to Read s^{d}: Refolves with the Letter accompaning the Same next Sunday after Divine Service ——— Then they

Voted that the Clerk Put up Notifications to Reminde the town of the time of meeting to take into Consideration the matters above mentioned in the papers above s^{d}: Then the meeting was Adjourned to monday Next at 5: O Clock afternoon at this Place

At a Legal Town meeting at the meeting Houſe on monday ye 22^{d} day of July 1782 By adjournment the moderator being absent Daniel Parker Esqr was Choſen moderator of the meeting there being but a Small number meet no buſineſs was don and the meeting was Deſolved ————

At a meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{rs} Dorothy Coollidge July ye 22^{d}: 1782. They ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants to the Constables to Warn the Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town affairs to meet at the meeting Houſe on thursday Next at 3 O Clock afternoon for to act on the following articles (Viz) First to Chooſe a moderator — 2^{d} To agree with and make Choice of Some Perſon or Perſons to Collect emediately ye Continentia[l] Tax Granted to Support the army &c: (3^{ly}) To Grant money for Su[ch] purpoſes as the Town may think Neceſsary ————
Warrants were Issued accordingly

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At a Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the meeting Houſe in s^{d}: town on Thursday the 25th day of July 1782 —
Voted & Choſe Daniel Parker Esqr moderator ———
Then the 2^{d} article was Read and after Debate thereon on a motion made and Seconded — it was Voted that the town will Give three per Cent for Collecting the Preſent Continential Tax
Voted that William Warrin & David Stone Constables be allowed 1½ per Cent upon Collecting the Continential Tax now aſseſsed in addition to the 1½ formerly Voted for the Collecting of Tax's
Voted that they give Bonds to the Town-Treaſurer with Sufficient Suretys to the Acceptance of the Selectmen within y^{e} present week
Then upon a motion it was Voted so far to Reconſider the foregoing Vote as to Release David Stone from Collecting any Part of s^{d}: Tax and that William Warrin Collect the whole provided he give Bond as above=mentioned — — — — — — — — —

Voted that the Selectmen Prepare a Subſcription to be Exhibeted to theInhabitants of the town by the Constable when he goes to Collect the Tax's —
Then the meeting was adjourned to monday next at this place at 5 O Clock afternoon ———— But as there Appeared that there was not any thing Neceſsary to be don the meeting was Dropt

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at m^{rs} Coollidges on ye 22^{d} day of Aug^{t}: 1782 they Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay the following accounts (Viz)

To Josiah Bisco for Serving aſseſsor —	4 :	18 :	——
To Amos Bond for Like Service —	4 :	12 :	——
To Nathl Bright for d^{o} — — — — — —	4 :	12 :	——
To Jon^{a}: Brown for Serving Treaſurer	12 :	0 :	—
To Moſes Coollidge for Smith work —	1 :	10 :	—
To Amos Livermore for work at the Barrack	5 :	6 :	——
To Simon Hastings for d^{o} — — —	3 :	19 :	6
To Edwd Harrington for Stones for a Bridge	0 :	18 :	——
To Selectmen for Expences Last year —	5 :	0 :	—
To Phin^{s} Harrington & others for Repairing the fence on the miniſterial place —	10 :	7 :	8
To Nathl R: Whitney —— —— ——	1 :	9 :	9
To Thos Safford —— —— —— ——	3 :	18 :	0
	53 :	10 :	11

At this meeting Simon Whitney notified ye Selectmen of taking Thomas Seger to live with him & Nathl Bright the Received Abigail Blackman to live with him See ye Notifications on file

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 9th Day of Sep^{r}: Anno: Domini, 1782 at the Houſe of Capt: Harris They approbated to following Perſons to be Inn-holders (Viz) Dorothy Coollidge, Edward Richardſon and (Capt Harris & m^{r} Fairſervice Jointly) —— they also approbated the following perſons to be Retailors of Speritous Liquors (Viz) Amos Bond, Henry Bradſhaw, Ezekiel Hall, Daniel Parker, David Bemis, Josiah Capen, David Sanger, & Nathaniel Peirce, ————

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen Sep^r: ye 23^d: 1782 They Signed orders on the Town-Treafurer to Pay the Several Perfons the following Sums (Viz)

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To Phinehas Jenifon for work on the minifterial place	2 : 2 : ——
To Edwd Richardfon for Drink when Removeing ye Barrack	0 : 15 : 11
To Josiah Norcrofs for Boarding Ruth Maddox	0 : 16 : ——
To Saml Fisk Esqr for fenceing Stuff for ye minifterial place	3 : 6 : ——
also To Josiah Sanderfon for abatements made in his State tax of Elijah Tolman & Daniel Learneds Rates — — — — — — — — — —	2 : 12 : 9

at this meeting they Directed the Clerk to notify ye Selectmen of Weston and Waltham to meet at m^r Francis Marfhalls to agree what Repairs Should be made of the Great Bridge — They were notified accordingly to meet at Said Place on Fryday next at. 3. O Clock afternoon for said Purpofe ———

At a meeting of ye Selectmen of Watertown, Weston, & Waltham at m^r Francis Marfhalls on Fryday ye 27th day of Sep^r: 1782. They view'd the Bridge and agreed that the Selectmen of Watertown Should make Such Repairs as they Should Judge Necefsary

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of Capt Harris on monday the 30th day of Sep^r: AD 1782. They agreed to have a Publick Town Meeting on the Seventh day of October Next at two O Clock afternoon at the meeting Houfe for the ends following (Viz)

First to Choofe a moderator of the meeting (2^ly) to determin how the town tax's Shall be Collected for the present year, and to act any thing thereon the town may think Proper, (3^ly) To know the minde of the town whether they will come into Some Method to Compleat the Collections of the old outftanding tax's and act any thing the town may think Proper thereon, (4^ly) to agree upon Some Method to Settle with & pay thofe perfons that the town is Indebted to. and act any thing the town may think proper thereon (5^ly) to grant money to Support the poor. and Defray any other Charges that the town may think Necefsary

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(6^ly) To abate any Perfons Tax's that the town may think Proper—

(7ly) To hear the Report of any Committees and act thereon as the town may think proper ————

Warrants were Issued to the Several Constables the next day
Pr order of ye Selectmen and Signed by
Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe in Said town on Monday the Seventh day of Octr: AD: 1782

Voted & Choſe William Hunt Esqr Moderator of ye Meeting

Then ye 2d: article in the Warrant was Read Relating to Collectors and after Debate thereon They Voted to Reconſider the vote Paſt at a former Meeting relating to the Constable & Collectors giveing Bond for their faithfull performance of their trust on the third article they Voted that the town Treaſurer be directed to Issue his Executions against all deliquent Constables & Collectors emediately after Thursday the 17 day of this preſent month of October ————

Then the meeting was adjourned to Thursday ye Seventeenth day of this present month of octr: to meet at this place at two O Clock afternoon —

The Selectmen being Met at the Houſe of mr Francis Marſhall the 7th day of Octr: AD 1782. they Received an Account from the Wido Mary Vila for Boarding Mary Learneds Child from the Second day of March last to the 5th: day of october Inſtant amounting to £ 6 : 4 : 0 which they accepted and ordered the Treaſurer to pay ———

Middleſex ſs Watertown Decr: ye 27th: 1782 Mr: Samuel Hager having been Choſen a Warden for the present year for this town appeared and was Sworn as the law Directs

By me Jona: Brown Justs Peaice

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middleſex ſs Watertown Decr ye 30th: 1782 mr Thomas Harrington was Sworn into the office of Warden as ye Law Directs

P me Jona: Brown Justt Peace

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At a Publick Town Meeting held at the meeting Houſe in Watertown on thursday the 17th Day of October AD 1782 By Adjournment
William Hunt Esqr: the moderator being Absent They voted and Choſe Mr: Amos Bond Moderator of the meeting ———
Voted that the Committee Choſen to Conſolidate the outſtanding tax's be directed to Conſolidate all Debts due from the town to Individuals and make Return to the Town-Treaſurer & for him to give his note as Treaſurer with Intereſt for the Same from the time due ————
Voted to Chooſe a Committee to Petition the Great and General Court reſpecting Cambridge Bridge ————

Voted and Chose for Said Committee { William Hunt Esqr, Daniel Parker Esqr, mr Amos Bond, mr David Bemis, Jona: Brown Esqr: }

Voted to abate Jedih: Learneds town tax's in Mr: Edmd: Fowles lists (Viz) Paper Rate amounting to £ 31 : 7 : —
and his Silver money tax amounting to ye sum of 0 : 12 : 7
also abated Saml: Paine Jones's tax in mr Fowles list
in paper money amounting to £ 24 : 12 : 0 ——
Silver Tax in his list amounting to ye Sum of — 0 : 9 : 10
and John Wellingtons paper money 24 : 12 :——
his Silver money Tax amounting to ye Sum of — 0 : 9 : 10
and John Croſsbes paper Tax of 29 : 2 : 0 — —
his Silver Tax amounting to the Sum of — — 0 : 11 : 9

Then Voted that the Committee Choſen to look up towns Land be Impowered to Sell or lease any Lands they think Proper belonging to the town ——
The foregoing votes were past at Said meeting ————
Attest Moderator ——
At a Meeting of the Selectmen of the 12th. Day of Novr: 1782 — They Signed an order on the Town-Treaſurer to pay the Several perſons the Sums Set to their Names (Viz) To the wido Mary Vila for Boarding Mary Learneds Child from the Second Day of march last to the fifth Day of October following Six pounds four ſhillings — 6 : 4 : 0
and to the wido Sarah Bond in part for Boarding
James Hays Daughter — — — — — — — — — — — — 6 : 0 : 0
and to Phinehas Jeniſon in part for his Service as

Saxton this year — — — — — — — — — — — — — — 2 : 0 : 0
also to pay m^{r} Daniel Whitney for timber for the
Great Bridge — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — 2 : 8 : 0

At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^{r}: ye 9th 1782 They Signed an order on the town-Treaſurer to pay John Remington ju^{r} for keeping School five months £ 26 : 13 : 4

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of Capt: Harris's on Fryday the 20th day of December 1782. The wid^{o}: Sarah Bond bro^{t}: in an account for keeping the Daughter of James Hay from Dec^{r}: ye 24th: 1781 to Dec^{r}: ye 24th: 1782. at 12/ P^{r} week amounting to ye Sum of £ 31 : 4 : 0 ——— and they Signed an order on the town Treaſurer to pay her the Sum of twenty Pounds four Shillings which with what She Received before will be in full of Said account . . . . . .

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on ye 23^{e} Day of December at Capt Harris s AD: 1782 They Agreed to have a Town Meeting at the meeting Houſe on Monday the 30th of this present month of Dec^{r}: at one oClock afternoon for the purpoſes following (Viz) First to Chooſe a moderator (2) To know if the town will grant Liberty for the Children of James Hay to Set a Small houſe on ye Land of the town for his use and to act thereon as they See fit (3) To Chooſe Wardens if it appears Neceſsary (4^{ly}) To Agree upon Some Method for Collecting the Tax Lately Granted for the Continential Service (5) To give the Committee Appointed to Conſolidate the towns debts Some Inſtructions as they See fit — (6) To hear the Reports of Committes and Act thereon as they think Proper ————————

At a Publick Town Meeting held at the meeting Houſe on Monday the 30th Day of Dec^{r}: AD 1782 to transact Sundry town affairs as Setforth in the Warrant for Calling the meeting — They Voted & Choſe m^{r}: Josiah Bisco moderator
2^{d} article being Read they Voted that the Children of James Hay have Liberty to erect a Houſe for their Father on the towns Land lately purchaſed of Josiah Capen, there to Stand during the Pleaſure of the town, but by the Direction of the town at any time they are Oblidged to Remove the Same, Three months

notice being first given - The Selectmen to determine on what part of the Ground it Shall be placed —— nothing being don on the Third article the Wardens being Sworn — 4th article paſsed over for this time on the 5th article voted yt the Committee Appointed to Conſolidate Debts cast them up to the first day of January 1783. ————

Then Voted that the Meeting with the Remaining buſineſs be adjourned to monday ye 20th day of January Next at two O Clock afternoon in this Place

At a Meeting of the Selectmen they Signed an order on the town=Treaſurer to pay mr Samuel Soden twenty Six pounds thirteen ſhillings and Six pence for the Support of School in the east Deſtrict —

also to pay mr Seth Hastings £ 21 : 6 : 8 in full of his account for keeping School in the middle School Houſe ———

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston & Waltham on ye 13th Day of Jany: AD: 1783. at the Houſe of mr: Samuel Wellington Innholder in Waltham: They adjusted and Settled the Charge that had ariſen for the Repairs of the great Bridge in Watertown Since the last adjustment the whole amounting to the Sum of £ 12 : 15s — of which Sum ———

Watertowns	part is	£ 4 : 11 : 9
Westons	do: is	4 : 2 : 1
Walthams	do is	4 : 1 : 2
		12 : 15 : 0

At the Same time and place the Selectmen Settled an account for the Support of Abigail Ball a poor perſon Said to be the Charge of the two Towns from the 29 of May last to Octr: ye 16 which Should have been ye 18 following (Viz) ~

To Boarding her 20 Weeks @6/ - - -	6 : 0 : 0 ——
to 3 yds of Baize at 6/ p yd: - - - - -	0 : 18 : 0 ——
to a Pair of Shoes - - - - - - - - - - - -	0 : 7 : 6
to two Peticoats - - - - - - - - - - - -	0 : 8 : 0
The whole amounting to the Sum of - - - -	£ 7 : 13 : 6
Watertowns part is	4 : 1 : 4
Walthams do is	3 : 12 : 2
	7 : 13 : 6

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown held at the Meeting Houſe in S^{d}: Town on Monday the 20^{h} Day of January 1783. By Adjournment ———— Mr Josiah Bisco being Moderator ———————— the 4th Article being Read and after Debate thereon they voted that L^{t}: William Warrin who is one of the Constables Shall Collect the State or Continential Tax now ordered to be made and that he Shall have two & ¾ Pr Cent for his Service
Then Voted that what was allowed him before & for Collecting this tax be Aſseſt with the tax now to be made ————
Then the Sixth Article being Read the Committee appointed to hire the last men to go into the Service in the Army Informed that they were ready to Settle their accounts Relating to that Service. and Desired a Committee may be appointed to Settle with them — Where upon it was Voted to Chooſe three perſons as a Committee for that Purpoſe ————

Voted & Choſe for Said Committee — { M^{r}: Moſes Stone
Jon^{a}: Brown Esqr
Mr Saml White

then the Meeting Deſolved ———

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at the Houſe of Capt Harris on Wednesday the 19th Day of Feb^{y}: 1783. They Agreed to have the Publick Annual Town-Meeting on Monday the 3^{d} Day of March Next at nine O:Clock in the forenoon at the Meeting Houſe and ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to the Constables to Warn the Inhabitants who are Quallified to vote in town affairs to aſsemble at s^{d}: time and Place for the following Purpoſes (Viz) First to Chooſe a Moderator ——— 2^{d} To Chooſe Selectmen Town-Clerk and all other town officers Required to be Choſe in the Month of March Anually. (3^{d}) To Chooſe a Saxton and Agree how he Shall be paid for his Service (4) To Determin Whether Swine Shall Run at Large ye enſueing year. (5) To put in their votes for a County Treaſurer. (6) To Agree what Schools Shall be kept and grant money to Support the Same, and act any thing Relating thereto they think Proper. (7) To Grant money to Support ye poor. (8) To Grant money to Repair the Great Bridge. (9) to Grant money to Repair the Highways and Act any thing on the affair they think proper. (10) To Chooſe a Committee to Examin the Treaſurers accounts and do any thing thereon they may think proper. (11) To know the minde of the Town whether they will do any thing

in behalf of the wid° Goddard Relating to an Action brought against her ye Fenceing her Land, by the Fence-Viewers. and to act thereon as they See fit — (12) To know the mind of the town whether they will call in their Outſtanding debts, and act thereon as they See fit. (13) To know the mind of the Town if they will give any Inſtructions to the Committee appointed to Petition the General Court for Liberty to Lease the Fiſhery and act thereon as they See fit (14) To know if the town will make any Grants to the Collectors or any other perſons that have don Services for the Town. and to adjust any Accounts that are unſettled with any Committees &c. (15) To know the minde of the town what they will do Relating to Mary Stearnes a poor perſon Said to belonge to Watertown and Act thereon as they think best. (16) To hear the Accounts of thoſe perſons the town is Indebted to & grant money to pay the Same —— (17) To know if the town will abate any perticular perſons Rates in any of the Collectors lists. and act thereon as they think proper. (18) To know if the town will do any thing further Relating to Grants made to Soldiers. and act any thing thereon they See best. (19) To paſs upon a list of Juriors Prepared to be laid before the town. (20) To hear the Reports of any Committees and act thereon as they may Judge Neceſsary. and Likewiſe to Notify the town Creditors to bring in their accounts to the Selectmen at the Houſe of m^r John Bullard on Fryday ye 28th of this present month at two O Clock afternoon in order to their being laid before the —— Which was Accordingly don the Next day

By Jon^a: Brown Town Clerk ————

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At the meeting aforeSaid the Selectmen Signed an order of the Treaſurer to Pay m^r Jedidiah Leathe in full of his account presented - - - - - 2 : 2 : 0
and To Saml Fisk Esqr on his account presented - - - 4 : 10 : 0
and to m^r Eben^r Everit in full of Jed^h Learneds Rates abated in his List - - - - - - - - - - - - - - 1 : 3 : 6
£ 7 : 15 : 6

The following Accounts were bro^t: in and allowed by the Selectmen (Viz)
To Saml Fisk Esqr: for Boarding Ruth Maddox 17 weeks 6/ - - - - - 5 : 2 : 0
to the wid° Mary Vila for Boarding mary Learneds Child to march 1783 — 5 : 4 : 0

to Daniel Whitney Boarding Ruth Maddox 11 weeks @ 3 - - - - - - -	1 : 13 : 0
to Nath[l] Bright for Board for Ruth Maddox & things for mary Learneds Child -	2 : 0 : 0
to Jon[a]: Brown for attendance on a Com[ttee] of the Gen[l] Court — — — —	0 : 6 : 9
to Josiah Mixer for Boarding Ruth Maddox — ——	0 : 18 : 0
	£ 15 : 3 : 9

1783 March y[e] 3[d] the Selectmen Signed an order on the Treafurer to pay the above — — — —

The following Accounts were bro[t]: to be laid before the Town for acceptance (Viz) To Sam[l] Fisk Esq[r] for a Stone - - -	0 : 5 : 0
To Amos Bond for Serving Afsefsor y[e] year past ——	5 : 0 ——
To Nath[l] Bright for d[o] - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	5 : 0 ——
To Josiah Bisco for d[o] — — — — — — — — — —	6 : 0 ——
To Jon[a] Brown for attending the Service of Treafurer	12 : 0 ——
To the Selectmens Expence last year - - - - - - - - -	5 : 0 ——
	£ 33 : 5

The above Accounts were Allow'd and y[e] S[d] Sum Granted to pay the Same March y[e] 10th: 1783 ————

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to vote in Town affairs Regularly Afsembled at the Meeting Houfe in S[d] Town on Monday the 3[d] Day of March AD 1783. For the Choice of town officers and other affairs as Mentioned in the Warrants - - -
They Voted & Chofe William Hunt Esq[r]: Moderator of the Meeting

Chofe for Selectmen ———— { M[r]: Amos Livermore; Cap[t]: Phinehas Stearnes; Maj[r] Josiah Capen; Cap[t]: Chris[r]: Grant ju[r]; L[t]: Mofes Stone ju[r] }

Chofe for Town-Clerk & Town-Treafurer Jon[a]: Brown Esq[r]

Chofe for Afsefsors - - - - - { William Hunt Esq[r]; m[r] Josiah Bisco ——; L[t] Amos Bond }

Choſe Constables Lt William Warrin & m^{r} David Stone
Wardens m^{r} Laban Wheaten m^{r} Nath^{ll} Pierce & D^{r}: Marſhal Spring
Fence-Viewers L^{t}: Nathl: Bright & m^{r} Phin^{s} Harrington
Sealer of Leather m^{r} Stephen Whitney ——
Surveyors of Highways m^{r} Nathl Peirce m^{r} Amos Livermore Dr Marſhal Spring and Mr Hugh Mason
Tythingmen m^{r} Richard Richardſon & m^{r} Thomas Learned
Howards m^{r} Abraham Whitney m^{r} Wm Chenery & m^{r} Edm^{d} Fowle & John Bullard
Surveyors of Timber &c m^{r} David Sanger & m^{r} Simon Hastings
Clerks of the Markets m^{r} John Bullard & m^{r} Nathl Peirce
Hogrieves m^{r} Daniel Cornwall m^{r} Peter Harrington m^{r} Edm^{d}: Fowle and m^{r}: Nathl Bemis
Cullar of Hoops Staves &c m^{r} Jeremiah Bridge
Choſe for Saxton m^{r}: Phin^{s} Jeniſon & Granted him £ 3 for the Service Then Voted that Swine Should not run at Large ye present year —
Then the Town took into Consideration the affair of m^{rs} Goddard, and Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to Inquire into the affair and Report to the town what they think will be proper to be don thereon at the Adjournment of the meeting ——————
then they Voted that the Schools be the Same in Number and under the Same Regulations as they were the last year ————
Then Voted & Granted £ 100 pounds to Support the Same ———
Then they took into Consideration ye artile Relating to former Collectors and Constables Relating to their allowance for Collecting, and Voted to Chooſe a Committee to Consider thereof and make Report at ye adjournment

Choſe for Said Committee ——— { m^{r}: Nathl Peirce
Wm Hunt Esqr
m^{r} David Sanger —— }

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Voted that the Perſons that will Collect the Tax's on the Lowest Terms and give good Security to the town Shall have that priviledge - - - - - -
Then voted to adjourn to Six o Clock in the Evening to m^{r} John Bullards to agree with Such as may Incline to undertake the Buſineſs — ——
Then the Meeting was accordinly adjourned to 6 O Clock at m^{r}

Bullards and being Met at the Said time and Place. They Agreed with m^r^ Moſes Coollidge to Collect the East lists of Town Rates for 3 Pr Cent ——— and with m^r^ Francis Brown to Collect the West list of toun Rates for 5 P Cent. — and with m^r^ David Stone to Collect ye East lists of Publick Rates for 1½ P Cent, and with Lt William Warrin to Collect the West lists of Publick Tax's for 2 Pr Cent, they giving good Security as above mentioned, Then they Voted that the Premium be added to the Several lists by the Aſseſsors ————

Then after Chooſing Constables they Proceed and Choſe two Collectors of ye town Rates — (Viz) m^r^ Francis Brown & m^r^ Moſes Coollidge - - - - -

Then they Voted that the Highway Rate be aſsest as it was last year (Viz) half a Day to a Pool and in proportion on the Estates the Price of Labour 6/ a day for a man & ye like Sum for a Team —

Then they Voted to adjourn the Meeting to monday Next at Nine o Clock in the forenoon to meet at the Meeting Houſe — — — which was accordingly don ——————

Middleſex ſs: Watertown March y^e^. 3^d^: 1783. The Several perſons hereafter-mentioned were Sworn into the Several offices to which they were Choſen (Viz) Wm Hunt, Josiah Bisco, & Amos Bond aſseſsors; Wm Warrin & David Stone Constables, Laban Wheaten Nathl Peirce and Marſhall Spring Wardens ———— Stephen Whitney Sealer of Leather, —— Nathl Peirce, Amos Livermore, Marſhall Spring & Hugh Mason Surveyors of Highways - - —— David Sanger & Simon Hastings Surveyors of Timber &c ——— John Bullard & Nathl Peirce Clerks of the Markets ———— Daniel Cornwall & Nathl Bemis Hogrieves — — — — — — —

all Sworn By — Jon^a^: Brown Just^t^ Peace ————————

March ye 10th: 1783 Nathl Bright was Sworn into the office of Collector of Tax's & Fence-Viewer, and Abraham Whitney & John Bullard Howards & Peter Harrington Hogrieve

By Jon^a^: Brown Just^t^: Peace

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Aſsembled at the meeting Houſe on Monday ye 10th Day of March AD 1783. By Adjournment. —

Wm Hunt Esqr being Moderator. it being Very Cold The Meeting was adjourned to mr John Bullards and being met they Proceeded. and Granted £ 60 pounds to Support the Poor ———
Voted to put over the Bridge grant to April meeting ————
Voted that the Committee Appointed to Examin the Treafurers Accounts last year Continue a Committee till they Compleat that Bufinefs ————
on the (12) article they Voted that the Teafurer Call in all ye outftanding Debts due to the town as Soon as may be ————
on the (13) article they Voted that the Committee Appointed to Petition ye General Court for Liberty to Leafe the Fifhery proceed on that affair according to their former appointment ———
Then the Meeting was Adjourned to two O Clock in the afternoon to meet at this place — at two O Clock being met according to Adjournment - on the (14) Article They Voted that the Committee appointed to Consider what allowance the Collectors Shall have & Report what Sum they ought to have provided they make up their Accounts by ye time they Shall fix upon — — — — —
Then the Article Relating to Mary Stearnes was Read and it was Voted that the Selectmen have the Direction of that affair according to their Judgment ————————————
Then they Voted and Abated the whole of Wm Parks Rates in the Several Collectors list
Voted and abated Jedidiah White jur Rates in Ebenezer Everits lists
the Town-Creditors accounts were Read and allow'd See Page (299) of £ 33 : 5 : 0
Then on a Motion made they Voted yt the treafurer pay Saml Fisk Esqr his Wages for Service in Convention in Specia the Sum that was allow'd
Then they Voted to Choofe a Committee to Inquire further Relating to Soldiers and others allowances for Services and to make Report

Voted & Chofe for Said Committee - { Lt: Amos Bond
Capt Chisr Grant jur
mr David Sanger }

Then a list of Juriors prepared by the Selectmen Was Read and they Voted & accepted the Same which is on file ————
Then the Committee Appointed look after the Towns Land &c made Verbal Report that they had not Compleated the Bufinefs afsigned them by their Commifsion, but would proceed as Soon as they Could which was accepted

Then They Voted to abate Samuel Jenifon jurs Rates in Christopher Grant jurs lists amounting in paper money to £ 1 : 15 : 6
Then they Voted and Accepted of Lt Nathaniel Bright to Serve Collector of the town tax's in the Room of Francis Brown & Mofes Coollidge
then the meeting was Difolved ——————————

[303]

At a meeting of the Selectmen at Francis Marfhall: on monday the the 31 Day of march AD 1783. — They Directed the Clerk to Issue out Warrants directed to the Constables to Warn Such of the Inhabitants as are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of Governors & Senators to afsemble at the meeting Houfe on Monday the Seventh day of April next at two OClock in the afternoon to give in their Votes for Governors and Sentors —— also to Warn Such of the Inhabitants as are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to meet 3 O Clock afternoon on Same day at the meeting Houfe for the following Purpofes (Viz)
First to Choofe moderator of ye meeting — (2) To hear the Report of the Committee appointed to Examin the Treafurers accounts and to act thereon as See fit: — (3) To Choofe any town officers in the Room of Such as Refust to Serve — (4) For the the town to Agree upon What Steps Shall be taken Relating to the Support of Mary Stearnes and to act thereon as they See fit. (5) For the town to agree upon Some method to Discharge the Debts they owe to Sundry perfons & act any thing Relating thereto they think proper; (6) To do any thing Relating to the Repairs of the Great Bridge that they think Necefsary (7) To hear the Reports of Any Committees and Act thereon as they think best: (8) To make any further Grants of Money for any Perticular Services as they may Judge Necefsary — — — — — — — —
Warrants were Issued out Accordingly —

Pr Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

At the above meeting ye Selectmen Signed an order on the Town Treafurer to pay the Sum of £ 35 Pounds to ye Revd mr: Eliot which make up the whole of his Salary for the Prefent year —— They also Signed an order to pay the Several perfons afternamed ye Sums Set against their names it being for Services at the Great Bridge (Viz)

To Nath[l] Bright for Labor &c -	1 : 4 : 0
To Step[n] Cook d° — — — —	2 : 6 : ——
To Newton Baxter d° — — —	0 : 16 : 6
To Amos Bond d° — — — — — —	0 : 16 : ——
To Israel Whittemore - - - - - - - -	1 : 18 ——
To Nathan Hobbs - - - - - - - - - - - -	1 : 12 ——
To Daniel Whitney - - - - - - - - - - - -	1 : 2 : 6
& for one String peice - - - - - - - - - -	2 : 8 : ——
To Expence of y[e] Selectmen in y[e] Settlement - -	0 : 12 : ——
	£ 12 : 15 : 6

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of Governor & Senators held at the meeting Houſe on monday y[e] 7th Day of April 1783. — The Selectmen being Preſent the Votes Were Called for. for a Governor and being brot in Counted & Sorted it Appeared that His Excellency John Hancock Esq[r]: had 29 Votes

The Hon[le] James Bowdoine Esq[r] - - - 2
The Hon[le] Benjamin Lincoln Esq[r] . . 1

Then the Votes were Called for a L[t]: Governor were bro[t]: in Counted & Sorted & it appeared that - The Hon[le]: Thomas Cuſhing Esq[r]: had . . 6 Votes

The Hon[le] James Sullivan Esq[r] had . . . 27 -
The Hon[le] Benjamin Lincoln Esq[r]: had . . 1 -

Then the Votes were Called for For Senators & being bro[t]: in Counted and Sorted it Appeared that the following perſons had the number of Votes Set Against each of their names (Viz)

Eleazer Brooks Esq[r]: -	1	James Preſcott Esq[r] -	27
Jon[a]: Brown Esq[r] - -	6	Eben[r]: Bridge Esq[r]: -	11
Ephraim Wood Esq[r]: -	4	Nath[l] Gorham Esq[r] - -	27
Abra[m] Fullar Esq[r] - -	2	Josiah Stone Esq[r] - - -	24
James Winthrop Esq[r] -	8	John Remington Esq[r] -	13
Benj[n] Brown Esq[r] - -	2	Jonas Dix Esq[r] - - - -	10
		James Ruſsel Esq[r] - -	3
		W[m] Bauldwin Esq[r] - -	1
		W[m] Winthorp Esq[r] - -	1
		Joseph Lee Esq[r] - - - - -	1
		Ezra Sergant Esq[r] - - -	5

At a Publick Town Meeting the Same day at the Same Place of Such of the Inhabitants as are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to act on Sundry affairs &c ———
They Voted & Chofe m^r^ Samuel White Moderator of ye meeting Then the 2^d^ Article was Read and ye Com^tte^. appointed to Examin the Treafurers acc^tts^ Reported which was accepted & Voted that it Should be Recorded
Then the meeting was Adjourned to monday ye 21 Inftant 4 o Clock afternoon in this Place ————————
april ye 21st: 1783. Mr Thomas Learned was Sworn into the office of Tythingman

By Jon^a^: Brown Jus^t^: Peace

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At a Publick Town Meeting held at the Meeting Houfe of the Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly afsembled on Monday the 21^ft^ Day of April AD 1783. By adjournment: ————
m^r^: Samuel White being Moderator. The 4th article in the Warrant being Read Relating to Mary Stearnes: They Voted and Granted the Sum of Forty Pounds £ 40. To enable the Selectmen to Defend ye Town from being oblidged to Support s^d^: Stearnes — Then they Voted to Choofe a Committee to Receive and Settle m^r^ Ezekiel Halls Lists of Tax's - -

Voted & Chofe for said Committee { William Hunt Esqr:
Lt Amos Bond
m^r^ Josiah Bisco }

Then they Voted & Granted the Sum of £ 150 pounds to help pay the Towns Debts - -

At a meeting of the Selectmen on the 21th: Day of April AD: 1783 at the Houfe of m^r^: John Bullard. - They Signed an order on ye Town Treafurer to pay m^r^ Phinehas Jenifon £ 1 : 12 : 0 in full for his Service as Saxton the Last year — — — — — — —
And as this being the year for Perambulating lines Betwixt towns They agreed to proceed on that Bufinefs on Thursday the 1th Day of may next to Begin with Cambridge at the River at Seven O Clock in the morning, and with Waltham at 11: in the forenoon near M^r^: Wellingtons, also with Newton at 4 O Clock afternoon to meet at Capt: Phinehas Cooks. and ordered the Clerk to notify the Selectmen of the Several Towns of the times &

places of Meeting. Letters were Sent Accordingly Dated ye 22^{d} Inſtant

P Jon^{a}: Brown Town Clerk

Middleſex ſs may ye 13th 1783. Mr Edmund Fowle was Sworn to the office of Howard to which office he was Choſen in march Last

By m^{e} Jon^{a}: Brown Just^{t}: Peace

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday ye 5th Day of may AD: 1783. They ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants for a town meeting on the 12th Day of this month at 2 oClock afternoon at ye meeting Houſe to Chooſe a Repr[esen]tative and an other at 3 O Clock ye Same Day to act on other affairs [See] the Warrant on file ————————

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified according to the Constitution to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative Regularly aſsembled at the meeting Houſe in Said Town on Monday the 12th Day of May AD: 1783. The Selectmen being Present. The Votes for a Representative being bro^{t}: in Sorted & Counted & it Appeared that Jonathan Brown Esqr: was Choſen.

And at a Meeting of the Inhabitants of s^{d} Town on the Same day of Such as are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe to Transact Sundry affairs mentioned in the Warrant for Calling the Meeting &c. They Voted & Choſe William Hunt Esqr: Moderator —
on the Second article They Voted to Chooſe a Com^{tte}: of Corroſpondance

Voted & Choſe for s^{d}: Committee
- M^{r}: Sam^{ll}: White
- M^{r}, David Bemis
- Mr Rich^{d}: Clark -
- Mr Josiah Bisco
- Mr Simon Whitney

the third and fourth article were paſt over to ye adjournment the 5th article Relating to a Way through the land of Maj^{r}: Josiah Capen being Read with the Report of the Selectmen on the Same. the Town Voted their Willingneſs to accept the Same and their Thanks to the Major for his Generous offor to the Town ———
the (6th) Article being Read Relating to the appointing a Com-

mittee to Apply to the General Court for Some Releif on account of Tax's &c. They Voted to Chooſe a Committee for that Purpoſe — — — —

Voted & Choſe for Said Committee { Jon^{a}: Brown, Esqr / Wm Hunt Esqr / Saml Fisk Esqr }

(7) article being Read they Voted to Chooſe a Committee to apply to the General Court for Liberty to Regulate the Fiſhery

Then they Voted & Chooſe Misſ^{rs} Amos Livermore David Bemis & Richard Clark to joine the former or last Committee Choſen for that purpoſe — — —

on the (8th) article they Voted to Chooſe a Committee to Draw up Inſtructions to be given to their Repreſentative

Choſe for s^{d} Com^{tte} & y^{t} they Report at ye adjour^{t} { Saml. Fisk Esqr / Wm Hunt Esqr / Mr Josiah Bisco }

Voted & Granted £ 20 to Support ye Bridge &c.

Then adjourned ye Meeting to monday the 26th day of this month [at] 5 O Clock afternoon at this place ————

[307]

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at the meeting Houſe on monday the twenty Sixth Day of may Anno: Domini 1783. By Adjournment.

William Hunt Esqr: being Moderator —— The Committee appointed to Prepare Inſtructions appeared & Informed ye town that they were Ready to Report the Inſtructions for the Representative according to order which being Read were accepted. Then they Voted that a fair Coppy be made out and Signed by the moderator and Given to Jonathan Brown Esqr: for his guide in the General Court &c. See the Inſtructions on file ——

Then the Meeting was Deſolved ———

1783 Decr ye 3 m^{r} Phinehas Harrington was Sworn as a Fence-Viewer into which office last march he was Choſen to Serve in —

Pr Jon^{a}: Brown Just^{t} Peace

1783 May ye 1 Miſs^{rs} Moſes Stone & Amos Livermore Perambulated the lines Betwixt this and the Neighboring Towns ——

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Capt Parker on the 25 day of Aug^{t}: 1783. They Signed an order on the Town-Treaſurer to Pay the Several Sums out of the Town-Treaſury in the manner following (Viz)

To the Rev^{d} m^{r} Eliot as a Quarters Sallary ye Sum of —	£ 25 : 0 : ——
To Saml Fisk Esqr for a Stone - - - - - - - -	0 : 5 : ——
To Amos Bond for Serving Aſseſsor last year -	5 : 0 : ——
To Josiah Bisco for d^{o} - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	6 : 0 : ——
To Nathl Bright for d^{o} - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	5 : 0 : ——
To Jonathan Brown for Serving Treaſurer last year	12 : 0 : ——
To the Selectmen for their Expences last year - -	5 : 0 : ——
	58 : 5 :

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 8th: Day of September 1783: at Capt: Parkers. They Signed an order on the Town-Treaſurer to pay out of the Town-Treaſury the Sum of Thirty Eight Pounds in the following manner (Viz) ————

To Lois White for keeping School - - - - - - - -	£ 7 : 4 : 0
To Robert Gray for d^{o} - - - - - - - - - - - - -	24 : 0 : ——
To Mary Cockran for her Store to keep School in	1 : 11 : ——
and to m^{r} Broad for Plank for the great Bridge	5 : 5 : ——
	38 : 0 : 0

At this time they Approbated the following Perſons for licences (Viz)

Edward Richardſon
Dorothy Coollidge
Jonathan Maynard
Sam^{ll}: Wellington
John Bullard
} for Inn-holders

John Draper
Mary Cockran
David Sanger
Abner Craft
Amos Bond
John Fowle
Henry Bradſhaw
Jedidiah Leathe
William Warrin
Francis Faulkner
Ebenezer Kent
Laben Wheaten
} Retailors

At a meeting of ye Selectmen on the 15th of Sep^{r}: AD 1783 ——

They agreed to approbate Capt Daniel Parker in the Room of Jonathan Maynard Holmns Hall as a Retailor ——

[309]

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston & Waltham on the 15th Day of Sep^{r}: AD 1783 at the Houſe of Capt: Isaac Gleason Innholder in Waltham They Settled and adjusted the Charge that had ariſen Since the last adjustment the whole amounting to ye Sum of £ 25 : 1 : 8 of Which

Watertowns Part	is—	9 : 0 : 0	B N: Capens acc^{tt} of 14/9 not
Westons d^{o}	is—	8 : 1 : 8	Carried out & was omitted See
Walthams d^{o}:	is—	8 : 0 : 0	ye adjustment in the treaſurers
		£25 : 1 : 8	Book ye 2^{d}

At the Same Meeting the Selectmen of Watertown and Waltham Settle the Charge of Supporting Abigail that had Ariſen for the Support of Abigail Ball Since the 18th Day of October last to ye 18th Day of October Next being for her Board 52 Weeks @ 6/ — Pr Week Amounting to the Sum of £ 15 : 12 : — of which Sum

Watertowns Part	is	8 : 5 : 0	
Walthams d^{o}	is	7 : 7 : 0	
		£ 15 : 12 : 0	

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{r} Samuel Wellington on Monday the 29th Day of Sep^{r}: AD: 1783. Deacon John Sanderſon one of the Selectmen of Waltham being Present Informed: them that the wid^{o} Peirce of y^{t} Town had bro^{t}: one Mary Stearnes a perſon Belonging to Watertown and Left her at his Houſe as a Poor Perſon. which the Said Sanderſon had provided and Agreed that m^{r} Josiah Sanderſon who has agreed to take Care of her for the Present for Six ſhillings Pe^{r} week - which the Selectmen have Agreed to See paid till further orders — At this meeting They Signed an order on the Town-Treaſurer to Pay the Sum of £ 20 : 12 : 10 to the Several perſons that Provided the Meterials and Repaired the Great Bridge in Watertown the Present month of Sep^{r} ————

and at this meeting after Considering the Circumſtances of Benjamin Jenings and Family which Belonge to the Town of Charlstown They Desired & Directed Jonathan Brown Esqr the Town-Clerk to apply & in their name to petition the Great &

General Court for Lyberty to Remove them to Charlstown where they Belong who they think will be a Great Saveing to the Common-Wealth

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Capt: Daniel Parker on the 16th Day of November AD: 1783. They ordered the Treaſurer to Pay the Revd: Mr Richard Roſwell Eliot £ 25 pounds in Part of his Sallary for the Present year, also to Pay Mr John Draper £ 11 Pounds for the Repairs of the wido Abigail Goddards Fence agreable to a Vote of the town ———

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at Capt Daniel Parkers on the second Day of Febry: 1784. They Singed and order on the Treaſurer to Pay William Stone £ 1 : 8 : 6 for Supplys for Ruth Maddox also to Pay Samuel Fisk Esqr £ 2 : 8 : 0 for Boarding sd Maddox agreable to his Account - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
And at their Meeting at ye Same Place on the 17th Day of ye Same month they Signed an order to Pay Mr: Eliot 25 pounds in part of his Sallary ye Present year ————

At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at Capt Daniel Parkers on the 23d Day of Febry: 1784. They Signed an order to Pay Nathl Ruggles Whitney £ 5 : 6 : 8 for keeping School last year & the Sum of £ 8 : 8 : 0 in part for keeping School ye present year —

At this meeting they agreed that the Annual March meeting Should be on monday ye first Day of march Next at the Meeting Houſe at 9 O Clock in the forenoon & Directed the Clerk to Issue out Warrants to warn the Inhabitants of the Town Quallified to Vote in town affairs to meet at Said time and Place for ye following Purpoſes (Viz) ———
First to Chooſe a moderator of ye meeting — — ———
(2) To Chooſe Selectmen Town Clerk and all other Town officers Required by law to be Choſe in the month of march annually
(3) To Chooſe a Saxton and agree how he Shall be paid for his Service
(4) To Determin whether Swine Shall Run at Large ye enſueing year
(5) To put in their votes for a County Treaſurer — — — —
(6) To Agree what Schools Shall be kept. and grant to Support the Same and Act thereon as they think Proper ————

(7) To Grant money to Support the Poor (8) To grant money to Repair the Great Bridge, and act any thing thereon they think best.

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(9) To grant money to Repair the Highways and do any thing Relating thereto they See fit (10) To Choofe a Committee to Examin the Treafurers Accounts, and to Settle with the Constables & Collectors (11) To Choofe Collectors in the Room of any that Cannot finifh their Collections, and do any thing thereon they think Necefsary (12) To Hear the Accounts of thofe Perfons the town is Indebted to and grant money to Pay the Same (13) For the town to act any thing Relating to the Fishery they may think Further Necefsary (14) For the Town to do any thing Relating to a Road given by Maj^r Josiah Capen, and Layed out by the Selectmen that may be thought Necefsary, (15) To know the mind of the town what Sums Shall be allowed to the Constables and Collectors that have not been Paid & act thereon as they See fitt. (16) For the town to Leafe or Sell the two Pews that have been given up to the town (17) To hear the Reports of former Committees and act thereon as they See fit —— and to notify ye Town Creditors to bring their accounts to the Selectmen at Capt Parkers on Fryday Next at 3 O Clock afternoon in order to their being Layed before ye Town

Warrants were made out ye Next day and Sent to the Constables and Signed By order of ye Selectmen

Jon^a: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston, and Waltham on the 24 Day of Feb^y: 1784 at the Houfe of Mr Stephen Wellman Inn holder in Waltham they Settled and adjusted the Accounts of the Charge that has Arifen for ye Repairs of the Great Bridge Since ye last adjustment the whole amounting to the Sum of £ 58 : 10 : 0

of Which Watertowns	Part or Proportion is	- -	21 : 0 : 10
Weston s	d° is	- - - - - -	18 : 16 : 11
Walthams	d° is	- - - - - -	18 : 12 : 3
			£ 58 : 10 : 0

See ye Settlement at Large entered in Treafurers Book

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Friday the 27th: Day of Febr. at the House of Capt. Daniel Parker the following accounts were brought in & Allowed by the Selectmen (viz)

To Robert Grey for Keeping the east School 5½ Months	33 : 6 : 8
To Jonathan Stone for boarding Ruth Maddox 33 weeks and four Days @ 6/ p. week and ſundrys of Cloathing	11 : 11 : 6
To Moſes Stone Jur to Boarding Ruth Maddox five weeks @ 6/ pr week & Sundrys provided for Saml. Jeniſon	2 : 9 : 11
To Capt. Phins. Stearns for providing wood for sd Jenison	0 : 12 - ~
To Amos Livermore for Clothing for Hannah Hay	0 : 6 : 0
To Chisr. Grant Jur for supplying the Poor & other expences for the ſervice of the Town	2 : 1 : 9 ~
To Simon Haſtings for setting Glaſs in ye Meeting House	0 : 4 : 6
	£ 50 : 12 : 4 ~

The following Accounts were brought before the Town at their Meeting March 1. 1784 and were Accepted (viz)

To Jona. Brown Esqr. for his ſervice as Treasurer the year past — — — — — — — — — — —	6 : 0 : 0
To Amos Livermore & others the Selectmen for their Neceſsary expences the year past — — — —	5 : 10 : 0
To William Hunt Esqr. for his ſervice as Aſseſsor —	1 : 17 : 6
To Josiah Bisco for Do — — — — — — — — — — —	3 : 2 : 6
To Amos Bond for Do — — — — — — — — — — —	2 : 12 : 6
To Amos Livermore for Collecting Receipts - - - - -	1 : 0 : 0
To Moſes Stone Jur. for Do - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	1 : 0 : 0
To Phins Stearns s accr. Supplying Mrs. Downing - -	0 : 15 : 0
To Chisr. Grant Jur. for Do - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	0 : 8 : 3

The above Accts. being Allowed the ſeveral ſums were Granted to pay the ſame on March ye 1t: & 8th: 1784 ~

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders and other In-

habitants of Watertown Qualified to vote in Town Affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the Meeting House in said Town on Monday the first Day of March A D1784. for the Choice of Town Officers and other Affairs as mentioned in the Warrants ~

They Voted and Chose William Hunt Esqr. Moderator of ye Meeting

Chose for Selectmen - - - - { M^{r}. Amos Livermore
Capt. Phin^{s}. Stearns
Capt. Chris^{r}. Grant Ju^{r}.
L^{t}. Amos Bond
L^{t}. Nathl. Bright

Chose for Town Clerk ~ Josiah Bisco ———

Chose M^{r}. Saml. White Town Treasurer & upon his Deſire was Excused

Then Chose Jonath^{n}. Brown Esqr. Treasurer who Declined Serving

The Town then voted and gave their Thanks to him for his long and good ſervices Rendered them as Town Treaſurer & Town Clerk ~

Then Chose M^{r}. Amos Livermore Town Treasurer who was Excused upon his own Deſire ~

Then they made Choice of M^{r}. Amos Bond for Town Treasurer

Chose for Aſseſsors ~ { Josiah Bisco
M^{r}. Daniel Mason
L^{t}. Amos Bond

Constables Mr David Stone & L^{t}. William Warren ~

Collectors Meſs^{r}. Daniel Mason & Joseph Bright ~

Wardens Meſs^{rs}. Eires Tainter & Simon Whitney ~

Fence viewers Meſs^{rs}. Thos. Harrington & Jonas White

Sealer of Leather M^{r}. Elijah Mead ~

Surveyors of High ways Meſs^{r}. Daniel Mason Capt Chris^{r} Grant Ju^{r}. Saml. Willington & David Sanger ~

Tythingmen Meſs^{rs}. Stephen Cook & John Draper ~

Howards Meſs^{rs}. Daniel Whitney & David Bemiſs ~

Hogrieves Meſs^{rs}: Danl. Cornwall & William Sanger ~

Clerks of the Market Meſs^{rs}. Abner Craft & Eben^{r}. Kent

Surveyor of Timber Meſs^{rs}. David Sanger & John Capel

Cullers of Hoops & Staves Meſs^{rs}. Jeremiah Bridge & Henry Bradſh[aw]

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Choſe for Saxton M^{r}. Phinehas Jenison and granted three pounds for his pay the enſuing year ~

Then voted that Swine Should not run at Large ye preſent year
Then Voted that there ſhould be the ſame number of Schools & that they be under the ſame Regulations as they were last year and Granted the ſum of £ 100 to ſupport the ſame ~ Then the Votes were brought in for a County Treaſurer
Voted to Grant Sixty pounds to Support ye Poor ye preſent year
Voted to put off the Consideration of a Grant of money to repair the great Bridge untill may Meeting ~
Voted that the Highway rate be Aſseſsed by Taxing each poll ſix ſhillings & other eſtate in proportion thereto & that Six ſhillings be Allowed for A Days work of a man and the ſame price for A good Team ~
Voted to Chooſe a Committee to Examine the Treaſurers Acc^ts^.

Choſe for said Committee ~
- Mr Samⁱ. White
- Willᵐ. Hunt Esqʳ.
- Mr. David Bemiſs

Voted to Chooſe A Committee to Consider the ſervices of the Constables & Collectors who have not been paid for their ſervice and report at the Adjournment of this meeting

Chose for said Committee
- Josiah Bisco
- Mr. David Sanger
- Mr. Samⁱ. White
- Mr. Samⁱ. Soden
- Willᵐ. Hunt Esqʳ

Voted to put of the 13th. Article to the Adjournment of this meeting
Upon the 14th: Article Voted that the Road Given by Majʳ. Josiah Capen be Accepted As A Town way Agreeable to the Report of the Selectmen on file ———
Voted to Sell the Pews Belonging to the Town at Publick Auction at the Adjournment of this Meeting and that Ten Pʳ. Cent be paid Down As earnest and Security ~ To be Given for the Remainder to be paid in three Months from the time of Sale with Interest ~
Voted to Choose A Committee make Sale of said Pews ~

Chose for Said Committee ~
- Josiah Bisco
- Mr. Samⁱ. White
- Mr. David Sanger

The Town Creditors Acc^ts^. were Read & Accepted se page (312)
Voted that the Pews be sold on the same footing ye first Pews were sold see the Records~

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Voted to farm out the Collection of all the Publick & Town Taxes for the present year to the Lowest Bidder ~
then proceeded and the following persons engaged to Collect the Town Taxes and to Give bonds for the Towns Security — (viz)
M^{r}. Daniel Mason to Collect y^{e}. East List for 4 P^{r}. Cent
M^{r}. Joseph Bright to Collect y^{e}. West D^{o}. for 6 Pr Cent
Then voted to postpone the farm the State Taxes untill the adjournment of the Meeting ~
Voted that M^{r}. Moſes Stone Jonathan Brown Esqr. and M^{r}. Saml. White A former Committee chosen the 20th. of Jany 1782 be A Committee to Settle Acc^{ts}. with all Committees for hiring men for the Army and make report as ſoon as may be ~
Then Voted that this Meeting be Adjourned to monday the 8th Instant at 2 O Clock Afternoon at the Publick Meeting House ~

At a Publick Town Meeting March the 8th. 1784 by Adjournment at the Meeting House ~
Willm. Hunt Esqr. being Moderator the Meeting being open they Proceeded ~
Voted to choose A Committee to Join with the Towns of Weston & Waltham in Petitioning the General Court for Some Relief towards widning and repairing the Great Bridge
Voted that the Selectmen be A Committee for that purpose ~
Then the Committee who were Chosen to Consider the ſervices of the Constables & Collectors made Report as follows (viz)
That the ſeveral Perſons who have served as Conſtables and Collectors for the Town and have not been paid for their ſervices Receive the ſums sett to their ſeveral Reſpective Names As A Compensation for their ſervices Rendered the Town upon their making up and ſettling their Accoumpts with the Treasurer ~

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To M^{r}. Saml: Soden for ſervice in ye year		1780 —	1 : 4 ~
To M^{r}. Moses Stone Ju^{r}. Constable	in	1780	1 : 16 ~
To M^{r}. Edm^{d}. Fowle Collector	in	D^{o}-	1 : 10 ~
To M^{r}. Daniel Mason D^{o}-	in	1781	3 : 6 ~
To M^{r}. Henry Bradshaw D^{o}-	in	D^{o}	4 : 10 ~
To M^{r}. Josiah Sanderson Cons^{bl}.	in	D^{o}	3 : 0 ~
To M^{r}. Willm. Harrington D^{o}-	in	D^{o}	4 : 10 ~
To M^{r}. Amos Bond Const^{bl}.	in	1777	3 : 0 ~

To Chris^{r}. Grant Ju^{r}. D^{o}- in D^{o} 3 : 0 ~
To M^{r}. Nathl. Bright Cons^{tle}. in 1778 1 : 16 ~
To M^{r}. Moses Coollidge D^{o} in D^{o} 1 : 16 ~
To M^{r}. Jon^{a}. Child 36^{s} see page (321) 1 : 16 ~
The Above Report was Accepted and Money Granted to pay the ſame ~
Then they took into Conſideration the farming the ſtate Taxes and proceeded and the following persons engaged to Collect them And to Give bonds to ſecure the town (viz)
M^{r}. David Stone to Collect the east List @ 5 Pr Cent & M^{r}. Willm. Warren the west D^{o} @ 6¼ Pr Cent — and voted that the premiums for Collecting Taxes be Aſseſsed in the ſeveral Lists of Taxes ~
Voted to Grant the ſum of Six pounds to Jon^{n} Brown Esqr for his ſervice As Treasurer the year past ~
Voted that the late ſurveyors of Highways immediately return their lists to the Selectmen that the Delinquents may be added in the next Highway Tax ~
Then Voted to adjourn this meeting to Tuesday the 23^{d} Instant at 3 o Clock at this place ~
Middleſex ſs Watertown March ye 8th: 1784 The ſeveral persons hereafter Mentioned were Sworn into the ſeveral Offices to which they were Chosen (viz) Josiah Bisco Town Clerk Amos Bond Town Treasurer Josiah Bisco Danl. Mason and Amos Bond Aſseſsors ~ David Stone & Willm- Warren Constables — Danl. Mason & Joseph Bright Collectors — Eiers Tainter & Simon Whitney Wardens — Thos. Harrington and Jonas White Fence Viewers — Elijah Mead Sealer of Leather Danl. Mason Chris^{r}. Grant Ju^{r}. Saml. Willington & David Sanger Surveyors of Highways — Danl. Whitney Howard — Danl. Cornwall and Willm. Sanger Hogrieves ~Abner Craft & Eben^{r}- Kent Clerks of the Markett — Surveyors of Timber David Sanger & John Capel Cullar of Hoops and staves Jer^{h}. Bridge
all Sworn Before Jonathan Brown Justice of Peace

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At a Publick Town Meeting on Mar^{h}. ye 23^{d}. 1784 by Adjournmen^{t}. at the publick Meeting House the Moderator being Absent the Town made Choice of M^{r}. Saml. White for their Moderator the Meeting being Opened they Adjourned to monday the 29th of March Instant at four O Clock Afternoon to Meet at the Meeting House ~ and there being no Buſiniſs to transac^{t} at s^{d}: Adjournment the Meeting Ceased ~

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday ye 22^{d} of March 1784 at the House of Capt. Daniel Parker they Directed the Clerk to Iſsue out Warrants to the Conſtables to warn Such of the Inhabitants of Watertown As Are Qualifie^{d}. by Law to Vote for Govenours and ſenators to meet at the Publick Meeting House in Watertown on Monday the fifth Day of April Next at two O Clock Afternoon in Order to Give in their Votes for A Govenour Leiu^{t}. Govenour and five Senators for the County of Middleſex, Agreeable to the Constitution of this Commonwealth Warrants were Iſsued out Accordingly ~

P^{r}. Josiah Bisco Town Clerk

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At a publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & Other Inhabitants of Watertown who Are Qualified according to the Constitution to vote for A Govenour Leiu^{t}. Govenour and Senators Regularly Aſsembled at the Meeting House in Said Town on Monday the fifth Day of April Anno Domini 1784 ~

The Selectmen being present the meeting was Opened and the votes for A Govenour were Called for brought in Sorted and Counted and it Appeared that

His Exelency John Hancock Esqr. had -	26
Honble. James Bowdoin Esqr. had	1
Jonath^{n}. Maynard Esqr. had	1

Then the votes for A Leiu^{t}. Govenour were Call^{d}. for Sorted and Counted and it Appeared that

The Hon^{bl}. Thos. Cushing had	2
The Honble. Axor Orne Esqr. had	11

Then the Votes for Senators were Called for brought in Sorted and Counted it Appeared that the following persons had the Number of Votes Sett Against each of their Names (viz)

Ebenezer Bridge Esqr. had —	17	for Senators ——
Nathl. Gorham Esqr. — —	26	
Willm. Winthrop Esqr- — —	25	
James Ruſsell Esqr. — — —	2	
Joseph Lee Esqr- — — — —	1	
Francis Dana Esqr — — —	27	
Josiah Stone Esqr- — — —	17	

Col°. Willm Prefcott — —	9	for Senators ——
Bradley Vernum Esqr. — —	9	
Eliezr. Brooks Esqr. — — —	1	
Docr. Marshal Spring — —	1	

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Watertown May the 12th: 1783 ~ Whereas Josiah Capen Esqr: of Watertown aforesaid hath laid open 2 1/3 Rods way begining at the old road near the Land of Dr- Marshal Spring till it comes to an Open way by land of Jn°- Remmington Esqr. and wholly throughout his own Land, and whereas the said Capen hath freely and without any consideration from The Town therefor Granted the same for and As A publick road or Town way, and it Appears to us the Subscribers the Selectmen of the Town of Watertown that it will be for the Interest of this Town that the fame be made A publick Town Road ~ Do hereby Accept thereof and lay out the fame as a publick Town Road of 2 1/3 Rods wide. as the fence now Stands- till it comes to the Mill pond (so called) then 2½ Rods wide from the said mill pond till it comes to said Old way Then the width to continue from the Mill Creek (so Called) to Land of Jn°. Remmington Ezekiel Hall and William Hunt until it comes to the County Road leading over the Great Bridge in Said Watertown, which said Road we hereby Lay out as a publick Town Road and from henceforward to be Confidered As such ~

Amos Livermore
Phinehas Stearns
Chriftopher Grant Jur
Mofes Stone Jur.

Watertown Decr. 3d. 1783 ~

By Complaint from Mr. Nathl. Bemifs to us the fubscribers against Mr. Ezekl. Whitney his Declining Comeing to a Division in the fence and mending up the fame ~ Between sd. Bemifs s Land and said Whitneys Land; after due Notice to each party we have proceeded as the Law directs and Divided the Above mentioned fence Equally, and hereby Order and Alot to Mr Nathl. Bemifs the South end from the High way nine rods and one half foot as his part of the fence ~ Alfo to Mr. Ezekl. Whitney nine rods and one half foot on the North and as his part of the fence ~

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Nathaniel Bright } Fence
Phins. Harrington } Viewers

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of Edward Richardson on monday the 12th. Day of Apl. 1784. They Agreed with Moſes Stone Jur. to Keep Ruth Maddox from this time till may meeting Or till another place be provided for 3/6 pr week
They Also Agreed to have A meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weston & Waltham on Wednesday the 21 Inſt. at two O Clock Afternoon to Determine what Matereals will be wanted for the Repairs of the Great Bridge

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of Mr. Samuel Willington on Monday the 26th. Day of April they Agreed that the Meeting for the choice of a Repreſentative ſhould be on Monday the third Day of May Next at two O Clock Afternoon -
Alſo that another Meeting of the Inhabitants Qualified to vote in Town Affairs be on the ſame Day at three O Clock to transact Buſineſs Relating to the Affairs of The Town and Directed the Clerk to Iſsue Warrants to the Constables to warn Said meetings Warrants were Iſsued accordingly. Directed to the Constables to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants in said Town Qualified by Law to vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative to meet at the Publick meeting House on monday the third Day of May next at two O Clock afternoon to make Choice of some Suitable person to Represent the Town in the General Court the year ensuing Also to warn the freeholders and other Inhabitants Qualified to vote in Town affairs to at three O Clock on the ſame Day & place to act on the following Articles (viz)—
1t. To Chuse a Moderator for said Meeting ————
2dly To Grant money to repair the great Bridge and for any other Town charges
3dly To Know the mind of the Town whither they will give their Representative any Instructions on any matters of Importance
4ly To Know the mind of the Town whether they will take up any of the Body seats in the meeting House and build Pews in their Places
5ly To Know the mind of the Town Whether they will make any Grants of money to any Collectors who have not had any Considertion for their ſervices

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6ly To hear the Petition of Gideon Frost and act thereon as they may think proper

7ly To Know the mind of the Town whether they will give their Treafurer any Directions refpecting their outstanding Taxes and act any thing relating thereto they may think proper ~

8ly To hear the Report of any Committees and act any thing thereon they think proper ~

P Josiah Bisco, Town Clerk

At a Publick Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown who are Qualified according to the Constitution to vote in the choice of a Reprefentative Regularly assembled at the meeting House in sd. Town on monday the third Day of May AD 1784. The Selectmen being present the votes for a Reprefentative being called for, brought in sorted and Counted it appeared that The Town made Choice of William Hunt Esqr. to Represent the Town the enfuing year ~

And at a meeting of such of the Inhabitants of sd. Town as are Qualified by Law to vote in Town Affairs Regularly Afsembled at the Publick meeting House on the fame Day for the purpose of transacting the businefs mentioned in the warrant for calling said Meeting they proceeded and chose Mr. Saml. White Moderator for said Meeting ~

and on the 2d. Article voted & granted the sum of seventy pounds to repair the Great Bridge. ~

On the 3d. Article It was put to vote whether the Town will give their Reprefentative any Instructions and it pafs. d in the Negative ~

On the 4 Article voted that four of the Body feats be taken up and pews erected in their places, and voted to Chuse A Committee to build said Pews and Chose for said Committee Mefsrs. Nathl. Bemifs Amos Livermore & Richard Clark, and voted that sd. Commtee. be Directed to make fale of the Pews after they are built at publick Auction under the fame Regulations of the Other Pews in the Meeting House As foon as Conveniently may be — On the 5th. Article voted that the former Committee for Considering the fervices of Collectors be Defired to consider and repo[rt] what Mr. Jona. Child shall have for his service as Collecor wh[*] Confidered in their former Report. said Committee rep[*] Mr. Child have 36/ for his fervice, which Report was Acce[pted]

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On the 6th Article that the Town Act nothing on the Petition of Mr. Gideon Frost and that the Petitioner have leave to to withdraw his petition ~
On the 7th Article voted that the Treafurer be Directed to call upon the Collectors of outstanding Taxes to fettle and close their Accoumpts with him as foon as possible with Convenience
8th. Article. The Committee chosen to fettle the Treafurers Acct^s. made report of their doing which was Accepted and a Grant made to pay the Ballance Due to Jona. Brown Esq see the Report on file ~ and the Committee who were chosen to make sale of of the two pews that belong to the Town made report of their Doings which was Accepted and is as follows ~
The Committee who were appointed to sell the two Pews belonging to the Town have performed the fervice — and Offer the following As A Report of their Doings (viz) ~

Sold the Pew in the Lower part of the Meeting House to Majr. Josiah Capen for - - - - - - - - - - - - - -		£ 41— 0—
Sold the Pew in the Gallery by the east Door To Benjamin Hastings for - - - - - - - - - - - -	—	18 " 10
Received Cash in part for said Pews — — — —		7 : 12
Recd. the purchasers Notes payable to the Treasurer in three months from the time of sale with Intt.	—	51 " 18
		£ 59 . 10
The expences of the vendue for ye. sale of the Pews		15
Ballance		£ 58 " 15

May 3d. 1784

Josiah Bisco
Saml: White } Committee
David Sanger

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of Samuel Willington on monday the 17th. Day of May 1784 ——
They Agreed to Notifie the Selectmen of Weston & Waltham to meet at the wd. Doroy. Coollidges on monday the 31t. Day. of May Current at three O Clock Afternoon in Order that the Minds of the Town may be known whether they will Petition the General Court for some Afsistance in widning the Great Bridge in Watertown ~ They Also Agreed to Notifie the Inhabitants of the Town that they purpose to Lease out for one

year at publick auction that part of A wharf Lying in Cambridge that Belongs to Watertown [o]n wednesday the Second Day of June next at the House of Mr. Edwd. Richardson at ſix o Clock Afternoon ~

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At a Meeting meeting of the Selectmen at the House of Mr Edwd. Richardson on the wednesday the ſecond Day of June 1784.
They proceeded to Leave out the wharf Agreeable to their Notification said Wharf to be Leased till the first Day of May 1785 ~ it being put up for sale to the highest bidder Said wharf was Leased to John Richardson who was the highest bidder for the ſum of nine ſhillings & three pence ~ and they Received the purchase money the expences of ſale was 4/~5/3— Remained for the use of the Town ~ They Also proceeded at ſaid meeting to Lay out the Surveyors of Highways — ſeveral Districts which were as follows. (viz) ~
Daniel Masons District to begin at Willm Stones and take the road ſouth by said Masons and through Perrys Lane so Calld. and up the Great road to Simon Hastings.s shop Taking said Hastings the wd. Debr: Learned Jona. Child & Jonah Norcroſs into sd. District
David Sanger s District to begin at sd. Hasings. up to the meeting House Including Jenisons Lane so Calld. from thence up to Daniel Whitneys, and from said meeting House up the Great road to Mr. Ezekl. Hall's taking the new road so Called through to Waltham line, and over the Great Bridge to Newton line — Saml. Willington to begin at Ezekl. Halls and up the Great road to Waltham line and through Tainters Lane so Calld. and Down by Thos. Harringtons Down under the Rocks so call.d to the wd. Clarks Gate and all the roads west of said Road Alſo the road from John Stearns.s Down to Danl. Whitneys and taking Jonas Barnard ~
Capt. Chrisr. Grant Jurr. to have the Remainder of the Roads in Town for his District At said Meeting Mr Moſes Stone Junr Notified the Selectmen that he had taken into his family on the first of May 1783 Thomas Shattuck Farmer he came last from Lexington in Low Circumſtances ~ Alſo John Cook Informed the Selectmen May 18th. 1784 he had Taken into his Family Sarah Carter Wll. Came Last from Newton ~

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of Mr. Samuel Willington on thursday the 6th. Day of May 1784 ~ they Signed on Order for the Treasurer to pay the ſeveral persons hereafter named the sums Affixed to their ſeveral names it being the amount of their ſeveral Accts. ~ (viz) ~

To Jonathan Stone — — — — — — — — — —	11 : 11 : 6
To Robert Grey — — — — — — — — — — —	33 : 6 : 8
To Moses Stone Jur. — — — — — — — — —	2 : 9 : 11
To Phins Stearns — — — — — — — — — —	~ : 12 ~
To Amos Livermore — — — — — — — — —	~ : 6 : ~
To Chisr Grant Jur. — — — — — — — — —	2 : 1 : 9
To Simon Hastings — — — — — — — — — —	~ : 4 : 6
To Jona Maynard — — — — — — — — — —	8 : 11 : 6
To Phins. Stearns — — — — — — — — — —	~ : 17 : 8
To Abraham Whitney — — — — — — — — —	~ : 11 : ~
To John Capel — — — — — — — — — — —	~ : 9 : ~
To Nathl. Bright — — — — — — — — — —	~ : 10 : ~
To Saml. White — — — — — — — — — —	~ : 8 : ~
To Stephen Harriſs — — — — — — — — —	~ : 8 : ~
To Jeduthan Willington — — — — — — —	4 : 9 : 6
To Newton Baxter — — — — — — — — —	1 : 0 : 9
To Amos Livermore — — — — — — — — —	3 : 10 : 8
To Saml. Nutting — — — — — — — — — —	2 : 0 : ~
To Josiah Capen — — — — — — — — — —	1 : 8 : ~
To Chisr. Grant Jur. — — — — — — — —	1 : 17 : ~
To Chisr. Grant Jur. for saml. Jenisons Taxes abated	0 : 10 : ~
To Amos Bond for his ſervice Done at the Great Bridge and Dr. Oſgoods Willm. Park.s and Willm. Adams Taxes abated in his Lists & fifteen ſhillings for the Selectmens expences at their meeting for the adjustment of their acct. with Waltham & c	4 : 14 ~
To Phinehas Jenison for his ſervice as saxton for the year 1783 ~ — — —	— — 3 : 0 : ~

at the above Meeting the Selectmen Agreed with Mr Jedidiah Learned to keep James Hay,s Child untill march next at 8/ pr. week ————

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of Mr. Saml.

Willingtons on the 12th. Day July 1784 they Agreed that A Town meeting should be called of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Qualified to vote in Town Afairs. to be on monday the 19th. Day of July Current at five O Clock Afternoon At the Publick Meeting House, and Directed the Clerk to Iſsue his Warrants to warn said meeting which is for the following purposes (viz) ~

1t. To Chuse a Moderator of said Meeting

2dly. To Know the mind of the Town whether they will accept the Grant of A Lottery made by the General Court to the Towns of Watertown Weston & Waltham for the purpose of widning the Great Bridge in sd. Watertown and give the managers of sd. Lottery any Directions Or Act any thing relating thereto they think proper ~

3dly To Know the mind of the Town whither they will Give their Repreſentative Or Committee any Instructions Relating to the Petitioning for that part of Newton Called angiers Corner or Act any thing relating thereto they think proper ~

4ly To Know the mind of the Town whither they will Reconsider their vote paſsed in a late meeting for taking up the body seats in the Meeting House and building Pews in their places and Act any thing relating thereto they may think proper ~

5thly To Hear the report of any Committees and Act any thing relating thereto they may think proper ~

Warrants were Iſsued to the Constables to warn said meeting accordingly by Order of the Selectmen ~

Pr Josiah Bisco Town Clerk

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Qualified to vote in Town Affairs regularly Aſsembled at the Publick meeting House in said Town on monday the 19th Day of July AD 1784 for the purpose of Transacting sundry Affairs as sett forth in the Warrants for Calling sd. Meeting

They voted and chose William Hunt Esqr Moderator of said Meeting ~

On ye 2d. Article voted to paſs it over till the adjournment of

the Meeting — but on another motion made the voted to take up and Act on the Article at this meeting and voted that the managers of the Lottery on the part of Watertown are Directed in Concert with the Other managers to go on with s^{d}. Lottery with all Convenient Dispatch ~
On ye 3^{d}. Article Voted that the Representative of s^{d} Town be Directed not to take up the Petition Relating to that part of Newton Called Angiers corner untill the further Order of the Town ~
On the 4th. Article voted to reconsider the vote paſsed at a former meeting for taking up the Body seats in the Meeting House and that the Committee Chosen to build the Pews be Directed not to proceed
Then On A motion made Voted that the Meeting be Deſolved ~

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of M^{r}. Saml Willington on monday the 16th. Day of Augt. 1784
The Selectmen gave the Treasurer an Order to pay M^{r}. Nathl. R. Whitney the ſum of twenty four pounds eighteen ſhillings & eight pence in full for his Keeping A School in Watertown — Also and order to pay M^{r}. William Harrington the ſum of six pounds three ſhillings & three pence it being Abatements of Meſs^{rs}. Ezek^{l}. Hall Roger Adams & Noah Torry Taxes in his Lists ~
at this meeting the Selectmen Examined Willm. Warren & David Stones Lists of Taxes and Ordered A return of the State of their Collections to be made by the C to ye Treasurer of this Common-Wealth Agreeable to an act for that purpose

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At a meeting of the Selectmen at the House of M^{r}. Saml. Willington on monday the 30th. Day of Augt. 1784 ~
the following persons were Appoved on by the Selectmen to receive Licences for the following employments (viz)
Meſs^{rs}. Amos Bond. Abner Craft Ebenezer Kent Jedidiah Leathe John Draper John Fowle Jonathan Waldo Danl. Jackson and John George — David Bemiſs Fran^{s}. Faulkner and Henry Bradshaw, for Retailers —
and M^{rs}. Dorothy Coollidge Meſs^{rs}. Edwd. Richardson Samuel Willington and Jonathan Maynard and John Bullard for Inholders ~ ———

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 16th. Day of Augt. 1784

they gave the Treasurer an Order to pay M^{r}. William Harrington the ſum of Six pounds three ſhillings & 3 penc

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of Mr Saml. Willington on monday the eighth Day of Sepr 1784 They Agreed to have A Publick Town meeting on Monday the 20th. Day of Sepr. Current at the Publick meeting House at three O Clock Afternoon and Directed the Clerk to Iſsue Warrants to the Conſtables to warn said meeting — Warrants were Iſsued Accordingly Directed to the Conſtables to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who were Qualified to vote in Town Affairs to meet at the publick Meeting House in s^{d}. Town the Twentieth Day of Sepr. Ins^{t}. at three O Clock Afternoon to Act on the following Articles (viz) — First to Chuse A Moderator for s^{d}. meeting 2ly To Know the mind of the Town whither they will direct their Repreſentative or Committee to take or call up the Petition on the Table of the House of Repreſentatives praying that that part of Newton called Angiers Corner might be Annexed to Watertown and to use their Endeavour to Obtain the prayer of said petition Or Act any thing relating thereto the Town may think proper ~

3dly To Know the mind of the Town whither they will Indemnifie the Man^{a}gers of the Lottery Chosen to repair and widen the Great Bridge as it reſpects this Town and Act any thing thereon they think proper

4^{ly} To Know the mind of the Town whither they will Join a number of Towns who are Deſireous of Petitioning to the General Court for a Repeal of A Late Act. Impowering Or Allowing the Town of Boston to exact a toll of Perſons that ſupply their markett with the neceſsaries of Life Or act any thing relating thereto ~

5^{ly} To know the mind of the Town whether they will Direct the Selectmen to Take any Lists of Taxes from any Collectors Or Act any thing relating the Collection of outstanding Taxes they may think proper —

6^{ly} To Hear the Reports of any Committees and Act any thing thereon they may think for the Interest of the Town ~

By Order of the Selectmen

Josiah Bisco Town Cl^{k}.

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Qualified as the Law Directs to vote in Town Affairs ~
Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting House in said Town of Watertown on Monday the 20th. Day of Sepr. 1784 To Transact Sundry Affairs As Sett fourth in the Warrants for Calling said Meeting
First Voted and Chose William Hunt Esqr. for Moderator of said Meeting ~
On the Second Article Voted that it is the mind of the Town that the Petition now on the Table of the House of Repreſentatives Still Remain untill the further Order of the Town, and the Committee Chosen by the Town to prefer the ſame are hereby Dismiſs, from said service ~
On the Third Article Voted That Whereas the General Court have voted A Lottery to enlarge the Great Bridge over Charles River 12 feet voted that we the Inhabitants of watertown will engage to indemnify and ſave harmleſs our Managers and that they will Agree to take on their own Risque their proportionable part of those Tickets that may remain unsold after the Expiration of the Term of time that hath or may be Allowed by the General Court Provided the Managers Account with the Town for the Expenditure of the moneys raised by said Lottery
On the 4th. Artl. Voted to Chuse a Committee to Join with the ſeveral Towns who are Deſireous of Petitioning the General Court for a Repeal of the Act Refered to in the fourth Article of the Warrant, and made Choice of Meſsrs. Amos Livermore & Richard Clark for sd. Committee and further it is Deſired that the Representative for said Town use his Influence to Obtain a Repeal of said Act
On the 5th. Artl. Voted that the Representative be Deſired to use his Influence to Obtain an Act of the General Court impowering This Town to Chuse Collectors to Compleat the Collection of any lists of Outſtanding Taxes in the Hands of Collectors that may be unable to Compleat the ſame and may be Given into the Hands of the Selectmen ~
On the 6th Artl. voted That the Selectmen be Deſired to Call upon All Committes Chosen by the Town to Settle make report to the Town of their Doings At the next Meeting ~

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 15 Day of October 1784 They gave the Treasurer an Order to pay the Rev^{d}. M^{r}. Eliot the ſum of fifty pounds in part for his Sallery for the Preſent year ~ They Also gave the Treasurer an Order to pay Jonathan Brown Esq the ſum of Fifty seven pounds ſeven ſhillings & eight pence in full for his ſervices and the Ballance due to him on the Settlement of his accounts as Treaſurer of said Town ~

They Also Agreed to have a meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weſton & Waltham at the House of Cap Jonath^{n}. Maynard inholder in Watertown to be on Wedneſday the 20th. Day of October Ins^{t}. To ſee what is Neceſsary to be Done to ſecure the Great Bridge ~

at said meeting M^{r}. Jonah Sanderson Lodged an Information with the Selectmen that he had Taken into His House one Luda Harriſs and Abigail his Wife who Came to said on the 26th Day of July 1784 and came last from Waltham their Circumſtances unknown ~ to him ~

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of M^{r}. Samuel Willington on the 9th. Day of Novr. 1784 They Orderd the Treaſurer to pay to Chris^{r}. Grant Ju^{r}. the sum of £ 12 ″ 18 ″ 6 in full for an Order Drawn upon the Selectmen by Jed^{h}. Learned for Keeping Ja^{s}. Hays Child to the ſixth Day of sep^{r}. 1784 ~ Alſo Ordered the Treasurer to pay said Grant three pounds in full for his ſervice As Collector for the year 1777 Alſo Twenty ſhillings in full for his service in Collecting Receipts of the payment of soldiers Bounties & 2/6 for half Bushel of meal for Del^{d}. ye poor Alſo one pound two ſhillings in full for his Expences as Selectman for the year 1783 — & one ſhilling he paid at the Registers office

They Also Gave the Treasurer an Order ^{to} pay James Blibler the ſum of one pound Sixteen ſhillings in full for his Trouble in Keeping Mary Learned up to the 6th. Day Novr. 1784 ————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on monday the 24th. Day of Jany. 1785 at the House of M^{r}. Saml. Willington they Drawed on Order upon the Treaſurer to pay Moſes Stone Ju^{r}. the ſum of £ 4 : 11 : ~ & to M^{r}. Jonathan Stone the ſum of Sixteen ſhillings said ſums were in full for Board^{g}. and Nursing Ruth Maddox from the Last of Feby. to the 10th. of Augt. 1784

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of Mr Saml. Willington, on thursday the Ninth Day of Decemr. 1784. The Selectmen Gave the Treasurer. an Order to pay Mr. Thomas Shepard the ſum of eight pounds Twelve ſhillings & eight pence in full for his Wife's Keeping James Hay's Child — — At the ſame meeting they Having Received a Warrant from two of the Justices of the Peace Quoram Unis for the County of Middleſex Requiring them with All Convenient ſpeed to Call a Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown (Qualified as the Law Directs) to bring in their votes for ſome suitable person for A County Register ~ In Complyance with the Above Requiſition They Agreed to have a Publick Town meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown to be on monday the 20th. Day of December Instt. at two O Clock Afternoon and Directed The Clerk to Iſsue Warrants to the Conſtables to warn a Meeting for the Purposes therein Inſerted ~ (viz) ————————

1st. ToChuse a Moderator for said Meeting ~

2ly To Bring in their Votes for ſome suitable person for A County Register

3ly To Know the mind of the Town whither they will Impower their Committee (who were appointed to look up and sell or Lease the Towns Lands) To ſettle any Claims which are Diſputable with the Town by Leaving the ſame to reference or any other way the Town may think best ————

4ly To Know the mind of the Town whether they will Apply to the Corporation of Harverd Colledge to Lower the price for Paſsing the Ferry between the Towns of Charlestown and Boston ————

5ly To Know the mind of the Town whether they will procure a Bell for the Meeting House Or Act any thing relating thereto they think proper ~

6ly To Hear the Reports of any Committies and Act any thing thereon they shall Think proper

Warrants were Iſsued accordingly Directed to the Constables and Signed by Order of the Selectmen

Josiah Bisco, Town Clerk ~

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the Freeholders and other In-

habitants of Watertown Qualified as the Law Directs to vote in Town Affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick meeting House in said Town on monday the 20th. Day of December 1784 To Transact ſundry Affairs As set fourth in the Warrant for calling said Meeting ~

1st. They made Choice of Saml. Fisk Esqr. for Moderator of said meting

2ly On the ſecond Artl. Votes were brought in for A County Register Sealed up and Deld. to the Constable to be returned Agreeable to Law ~

On the 3d. Artl. Voted to Impower the Committee to ſettle any Disputes Concerning Claims of Lands ſupposed to belong to The Town by leaving the ſame to A Reference Or any other way they may Think proper ~

On the 4th. Artl. Voted to Chuse a Committee to Apply in Behalf of the Town, to the Corporation of Harverd Colledge to Lower the Price for paſsing the Ferry between the Towns of Charlestown & Boston ~

And Chose for said Committee . { Willm. Hunt Esqr
Mr. Saml. White
Mr. Amos Bond

On the 5th. Artl. Voted to procure a Bell for the Meeting House Alſo Voted to Chuse A Committee to purchase the ſame and that said Committee be Directed (if it can be Done) to Raiſe money for the Above purpose by Subscription and Also Voted that those persons who will ſubscribe Or Advance any sums of money for the Above purpose, Shall have the ſame ſums Allowed or repaid to them out of the next Town Taxes ~

Then they Voted and Chose for said Committee { Mr. Richard Clark
Mr. Saml. White
Mr. David Sanger
Capt. Chrisr. Grant Jur
Lt. Amos Bond

The Selectmen conformable to an Act of the Common Wealth Dircting & Impowering them to choose and appoint ſome Suitable and fit person or persons to be ſearchers Or Packers of Barrelled Beef, Pork, and Fish ~

Have made Choice of and Appointed Mr. Jeremiah Bridge for A Searcher & Packer of Beef &c for Watertown ~

[Mid]dlesex ſs, March the 3d. 1785 - - Mr. Jeremiah Bridge was ſworn into the Office of Searcher & packer of Beef &c ~

Pr. Josiah Bisco. Town Clerk

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of Mr. Samuel Willington Inholder in Watertown on Monday the 21st. Day Feby 1785 they agreed that the Annual March meeting should be on Monday the ſeventh Day of March Next at nine O Clock in the forenoon at the Publick Meeting House, and Ordered the Clerk to Iſsue Warrants Directed to the Constables to warn the Freeholders and other Inhabitants Qualified to vote in Town Afairs to meet at said time and place for the Purpoſes following (viz)

First To Chuse a Moderator for said Meeting

2ly. To Chuse Selectmen Town Clerk and all other Town Officers required by Law to be chosen in the month of March ———

3ly To Chuse A Saxton and Agree how he ſhall be paid for his ſervice

4ly To Determine whether swine shall run at large the enſuing year ~

5ly To bring in their Votes for A County Treasurer ———

6ly To Grant money to repair the Highways —

7ly To Grant money to ſupport the Poor, and to Defrey other Neceſsary Town charges

8ly To Agree what schools shall be Kept the preſent year, and Grant money to ſupport the ſame, Or Act any thing relating the schools Or school Houses they may think proper —

9ly To Know the mind of the Town how they will Diſpose of the Pew in the Meeting House, Lately Mr. Ezekl. Halls which now Reverts to the Town and to hear any Petitions that may be Offered reſpecting the ſame and Act any thing relating thereto that may be for the Interest of the Town Or otherwise as they think proper ————

10ly To Know the mind of the Town whither they will Accept of Mr. John Cook s Waſte Bridge acroſs the County Road Agreeable to the Proposals he may make to the Town Reſpecting the ſame Or act any thing relating thereto

11ly To Know the mind of the Town whither they will procure an Engine for the use and benefit of the Town and Act any thing relating the ſame they think proper ~

12ly To Chuse A Committee to Examine the Treasurers Accounts and to ſettle & adjust any Accounts relating to the Town that may be Neceſsary to be settled

13ly To Know the mind of the Town whither they will abate any Particular perſons Taxes that may Apply for the ſame Or act any thing relating thereto ~

14ly To Determin how publick and Town Taxes shall be Collected the prefent year and Do any thing relating the fame they think proper ~

15ly To Hear the Accounts of those persons the Town are Indebted to and Grant money to pay the fame ~

16ly To pafs upon A List of Jurors prepared to be Laid before the Town ~

17ly To hear the Reports of any Committees. and Act any thing thereon they think proper ~

Warrants were Ifsued accordingly and signed by Order of the Selectmen

Josiah Bisco Town Clerk

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown Weston and Waltham on the 23d. Day of February AD 1785 at the House of Mr. Zechh. Weston Inholder in Waltham they Settled and adjusted the Accounts of the Charge that has arifen in the Repairs of the Great Bridge since the Last Adjustment the whole amounting to the fum of £ 5 : 4 : ~

of which Watertowns part is		1 " 17 " 3 ~
	Westons D°- is	1 " 13 " 10 ~
	Walthams D°- is	1 " 12 " 11 ~
		£ 5 " 4 " 0 ~

At the fame meeting the Selectmen of Watertown and Waltham Settled and Adjusted the Charge of Keeping Abigail Ball since the last Adjustment Carrying it forward to the eighth Day of march Next the whole Amounting to the fum of £ 21 " 12 : ~

of which Watertowns part is		11 : 9 : 3 " ~
and	Walthams D°- is	10 : 2 : 9 " ~
		£ 21 : 12 : ~

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of Saml. Wellington on Thursday the 3d- Day of March AD 1785 they Ordered the Town Treasurer to pay Jedidiah Learned the fum of Ten pounds eight fhillings in full for his Keeping Abigail Hay to the fixth of March Instant

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of Mr. Saml. Wellington on Friday the 4th. Day of March 1785 To Receive the Towns Credit the following Accounts were Exhibited to the Selectmen and by them Allowed (viz)

To Amos Livermore for Supplying the Poor & other Expens for ye Town - -	2 ″ 15 : 3 ~
To Simon Hastings for repairs Done to the Meeting House - - - - -	0 : 5 : 7 ~
To Thomas Hovey in full for Keeping School - -	28 : 16 : ~
To Moſes Coollidge for providing wood for the Abov sd. School - —	4 : 10 : 8 ~
To Moſes Coollidge for work Done for the Town	0 : 12 ″ ~
To the widw. Eunice Coollidge for boarding Ruth Maddox - - -	3 : 2 ″ ~
To Willm. Stone for Boarding Ruth Maddox - -	1 : 12 ″ ~
To John Stearns for Boarding Mary Stearns in her last sickneſs and for her Funeral Charges	4 ″ 19 : 6 ~
To Christopher Grant Jur. for 3 yards of Linnen for Abigail Hay	0 : 6 : ~
To Josiah Bisco for ſervice Done by Deſire of the Selectmen - - - -	0 ″ 8 : 6 ~
To Nathaniel Bright for ſervice done for ye Town & supplying the Poor	2 : 2 : 2 ~
To Amos Bond for supplying ye. Poor & Cash paid & other ſervice for the Town	7 : 10 : 2 ~
To William Warrens Acct. for Removing Mrs. Downing & famly. to Lynn	2 : 8 : ~
[To] Phins. Child for boarding & taking Care of Ann Ranger	3 : 18 : ~
	£ 63 : 5 : 10 ~

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At the ſame meeting the Selectmen Signed an Order Diricting the Treasurer to pay the Several persons hereafter Named the ſums affixed to their ſeveral names (viz)

To Josiah Sanderson of Waltham for Nursing & boarding Mary Stearns	33 : 0 : —
To Josiah Bisco for his ſervice as Aſseſsor in 1783 &c	3 : 11 : —
To Nathaniel Bright for his acct. — — — — — —	2 : 2 : 2
To Simon Hastings for Do — — — — — — — —	0 : 5 : 7
To Amos Livermore for Do — — — — — — — —	2 : 15 : 3
To Amos Livermore for Do — — — — — — — —	3 : 8 : 8
To Amos Bond for Do — — — — — — — — —	10 : 2 : 8

To Phinehas Stearns for D° — — — — — — — —	1 : 18 : 1
To Chris^{r}: Grant Ju^{r}. — — — — — — — — —	0 : 6 : 8
To Thomas Hovey for D° — — — — — — — —	28 : 16 : ~
To Moſes Coollidge for D° — — — — — — — —	5 : 8 : 2
To Joshua Coollidge for his Mothers Acc^{t} — —	3 : 2 : ~
To Willm. Stone for D° — — — — — — — — —	1 : 12 : ~
To John Stearns for D°- — — — — — — — — —	4 : 19 : 6
To Willm. Warren for D° — — — — — — — —	2 : 8 : ~
To Phinehas Child for D° — — — — — — — —	3 : 18 : ~
	£ 107 : 13 " 9 ~

The following Acc^{ts}. were brought before the Town at their Meeting on the 14th. of March by Adjournment and were Allowed by the Town at said Meeting (viz) ———

To Amos Livermore & others for their Expences as Selectmen the year past — — —	6 : 7 : 10 ~
To Josiah Bisco for his ſervice as Aſſeſsor the year past — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	6 : 10 : ~
To Daniel Mason for the like ſervice — — —	3 : 15 : ~
To Amos Bond for the like D° — — — — — —	3 : 15 : ~
To Amos Bond for his ſervice as Town Treasurer	6 : 0 " ~
To Simon Whitney for his Acc^{t}. for Stones —	0 : 12 : ~
Alſo at the ſame time the ſum of three pounds was Granted to Josiah Bisco for his ſervice As Town Clerk — —	3 : 0 : ~
	£ 29 : 19 : 10

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At a Meeting of the Freeholders and Other Inhabitants of Watertown who were Qualified to vote in Town Affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick meeting House in Said Watertown on Monday the 7th. Day of march AD 1785 for the choice of Town Officers and to Transact other Affairs as ſett fourth in the Warrant for Calling said Meeting

1^{t}- Voted and chose William Hunt Esqr. Moderator of s^{d} Meeting

2^{d} Voted and Chose for Selectmen -
- M^{r}. Amos Livermore
- Capt. Phin^{s} Stearns
- M^{r}. David Sanger
- Capt. Christ^{r}. Grant Ju
- Maj^{r}. Josiah Capen

Chose for Town Clerk & Town Treasurer Jonath^{n}. Brown Esqr-

Voted and Chose for Aſſeſſors ~ { Josiah Bisco
M^r^. Daniel Mason
L^t^. Amos Bond

Chose for Wardens Meſſ^rs^. John Vila and Thomas Clark ~
Chose for Fence viewers Meſſ^r^s. Nathl. Bemis & Leonard Bond ~
Chose for Sealers of Leather Meſſ^rs^. Moſes Warren & Elijah Mead
Chose for Surveyors of Highways Meſſ^rs^. Phinehas Stearns David Sanger Nathaniel Bright and Samuel Soden ~
Chose for Tuthingmen Meſſ^rs^: William Warren & Nathl. Bright
Chose for Surveyors of Timber Meſſ^rs^. David Sanger & Simon Hastings
Chose for Clerks of the Market Meſſ^rs^. Thomas Vose & Ebenezer Kent
Chose for Hogreves Meſſ^rs^. William Sanger and Peter Harrington
Chose for Cullers of Hoops & Staves &c Meſſ^rs^. Jer^h^. Bridge & Henry Bradshaw

3^d^. Art Chose for Saxton M^r^. Phin^s^. Jenison ~ Alſo voted to chuse a Committee To Confer with M^r^. Jenison and Report to the Town the Terms on which he will ſerve as Saxton the Preſent year ———

and Chose for Said Committee { M^r^. David Sanger
Capt. Chris^r^. Grant Ju^r^
Mr Simon Hastings ~

4th. Art. Voted that Swine shall not run at Large the Preſent Year ~

5th. Art. Votes were brought in for a County Treasurer ~

6th. Art^e^ Voted that the money Raised for the Repair^g^. of the Highways be raised by Taxing each Poll three ſhillings and Aſſeſsing the eſtates in the ſame proportion and Six ſhillings A Day be [a]llowed for A man and the ſame price for A Team ~

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7th. Art^e^. Granted the sum of one Hundred pounds to ſupport the Poor — and the Remander of this article voted to be put of till the Adjournment of this meeting ~

8th. Art Voted that the Schools be Keept under the ſame Regulations they were last year & voted to Grant the Sum of one Hundred Pounds to ſupport the ſame — Also voted to Chuse A Committee to Revise the School Districts and Chose

for said Committee: Willm. Hunt Esqr. M^{r}. Saml. Soden and M^{r}. David Bemifs ~
Then Voted that this Meeting be Adjourned untill monday the 14th. of March Current at two O Clock afternoon at this Place ~

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who were Qualified to vote in Town Affairs at the meeting House on monday the 14th. of March by an Adjournment ~
William Hunt Esqr. being Moderator ~

9th. Art^{e}. On hearing the Petition of Moses Coollidge the Town Voted That the Pew which was M^{r}. Ezekiel Halls be Granted to s^{d}. Coollidge & to be under the fame Reftrictions of the Other Pews in the meeting House. Agreeable to his Petition he paying M^{r}. Hall the fame sum said Hall paid the Town for the Pew ~ see the Petition on file

10th Art^{l}. it was put to vote whither the Town will Accept of M^{r}: John Cook.s waste Bridge and it pafs,t in the Negative ~

11th. Art^{l}. It was put to vote whither the Town will procure an Engine for the use & Benefit of the Town and it pafs.d in the Negative

12th. Art^{e}. Voted to Chuse A Committee to Examine the Treasuser.s Acc^{ts}. and to Settle and adjust any Accounts Relating to the Town ~

and Chose for said Committee — — { Saml. Fisk Esq / M^{r}. Saml. Soden / Jon^{n}. Brown Esq

On 13th Art^{l}. Voted the Collector of outstanding Taxes be Directed to Defist from calling on the Wid^{w}. Elizabeth Barnard for the outstanding Taxes fett to her untill enquiry be made & It is known whither said Taxes have not been Paid ~
On the 14th. Art^{e}. Voted that the Collection of Publick & Town Taxes (Including the State Taxes now Afsefs.t and not Committeed) for the year enfuing be put up to the Lowest bidder the Persons biding Lowest Giving security to the Town ~
and the East List of Town Taxes being put up M^{r}. Richard Clark Agreed to Collect said List of Taxes for 3 per Cent. the west List of Town Taxes being up M^{r}. Ebenezer Kent Agreed to Collect the fame for 6 p^{r}. Cent. The East Lists of State Taxes being up M^{r}. Edmund Fowle Agreed to Collect them for 2¾ P^{r}. Cent the West List of D^{o}. being up s^{d}. Fowle Agreed to Collect them for 5¾ P^{r}. Cent Then they Voted and Chose Mefs^{r}. Edmund Fowle & Richard Clark for Co[llectors]

Alſo voted & Chose Meſs^{rs}. Rich^{d}. Clark & Ebenezer Kent Collecto[rs]

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On 15 Art^{l}. Several persons Offering their Accounts for the Towns Acceptance the ſame were allowed se page (335) ~
On 16 Art: The Lists of Jurors prepared by the Selectmen being Read to the Town were not accepted — and the Town Voted to Chuse A Committee to prepare Lists of Jurors — and they voted and Chose for Said Committee M^{r}. Samuel White Capt. Christ^{r}. Grant Ju^{r}. & M^{r}. Amos Livermore ——
On 17 Art^{l}. The Committee who were Appointed to procure A Bell made Report of their Doings which was Accepted by the Town ~ and the Sum of Thirty pounds was Granted for the Expence of s^{d} Bell ——— The Committee to Confer with M^{r}. Phin^{s} Jenison Reported that he would ſerve the Town As Saxton the Enſuing year for four pounds which Sum was Granted for s^{d}. ſervice —
The 7th. Art^{l}. being again taken up the Town voted to Grant the ſum of one hundred pounds to Defrey Town Charges ———
Voted that the Committee to Revise the ſchool Districts Report at Ap^{l}. Meeting — — Then the meeting was Disolved ———

At A Meeting of the Selectmen at the House of Capt. Jonathan Maynard on Monday the 14 of March the following Perſons were Sworn into their Reſpective Offices (viz) Josiah Bisco Daniel Maſon and Amos Bond Aſseſsors John Vila & Thomas Clark Wardens Nathaniel Bemis & Leonard Bond Fence viewers - Moſes Warren and Elijah Mead Sealers of Leather ~ Phin^{s}. Stearns David Sanger & Nathl. Bright Surveyors of Highways Jonathan Maynard and Daniel Cornwall Heywards — David Sanger & Simon Hastings Surveyors of Timber Thomas Vose & Ebenezer Kent Clerks of ye Market William Sanger & Peter Harrington Hogrieves and Jeremiah Bridge Culler of Hoops and Staves &c ~

And at another meeting of the Selectmen on Monday ye 21 Day of March at M^{r}. Saml. Willingtons. Jonathan Brown Esqr. was Sworn into the Offices of Town Clerk & Town Treasurer & Samuel Soden Surveyor of Highways Edmund Fowle and Richard Clark Constables & Nathl. Bright Tythingman and Henry Bradshaw Culler of Hoops & Staves &c
all the above Officers were Sworn Before Willm: Hunt Justice of Peace

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Mr. Samuel Wellington on Monday the 18th: Day of March AD 1785. They ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants to the Several Constables Directing them to warn all the Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in the Choice of a Governor Lt: Governor & Senators to aſsemble at the Meeting House in Said town on Monday the 4th- Day of April Next at two O: Clock P: M: for the Purpoſes aforeSaid. and also to warn all the Inhabitants of Said town who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to meet at the Same place the Same Day at 3: O Clock afternoon to act on the following articles (Viz)
First to Chooſe a moderator of the Meeting. ——— (2ly) To Chooſe any Town officers in the Room of any that Neglect or refuse to Serve: (3ly) To hear the Reports of any Committees that have been appointed for any perticular Services and for the town to act thereon as they See fit. (4ly) To hear the Petitions of William Warren and others the town to take into their Consideration the Several things contained therein and Act thereon as they think proper. ([5]ly) To know the minde of the town whether they will abate any Perticular perſons tax's and Act any thing thereon they See fit. —

Warrants were Issued out Accordingly and Signed
Pr Order of ye Selectmen
By Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified according to the Constitution to Vote in the Choice of a Governor Lt: Governor & Senators being duly Warned & Regularly aſsembled at the Publick Meeting Houſe in Said Town on Monday the 4th- Day of April AD 1785. for the above purpoſes &c: The Selectmen being Present & opened the Meeting & Called for the Votes for a Governor which being brot: in & Counted & Sorted and it Appeared that The Honle: James Bowdoin had 13 Votes — — Benjamin Lincoln had 33 Votes — — — Francis Dana had 4 —

Then the Votes were Called for for a Lt: Governor were brot: in & Counted & Sorted and it Appeared that the following

Gentlemen had the Number of Votes against their Names (Viz)

The Hon^{le} Thomas Cuſhing Esqr-	28—	—
James Bowdoin Esqr-	3—	
Francis Dana Esqr- - - -	1—	

Then the votes were Called for, for five Senators, being bro^{t}: in Counted and Sorted and it Appeared that the following Gentlemen had the Number of Votes Set against each of their Reſpective Names (Viz)

Nathl Gorham Esqr	51	James Preſcott Esqr.	2
John Brooks Esqr	32	Abraham Fullar Esqr-	4
Eben^{r} Bridge Esqr	56	Jon^{a} Maynard Esqr-	1
Francis Dana Esqr-	35	Wm Winthorp Esqr-	1
Josiah Stone Esqr-	15	Thomas Parker	1
Eleazor Brooks Esqr-	11	Jon^{a} Brown Esqr	1
Saml Thatcher Esqr-	5	Thos Fayerweather Esqr-	1
Ezra Sargant Esqr-	6		
Joseph B: Varnum Esqr-	38		
William Prescott Esqr-	4		

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At A Publick Town Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the Publick Meeting Houſe in Said Town on Monday the 4th: day of April AD 1785. to act on the Several things Mentioned in the Warrant for Calling the Meeting. The Meeting being Opened They Proceeded and the Votes being bro^{t}: counted & Sorted it appeared that William Hunt Esqr: was Choſen Moderator ——

The Second Art^{e}: being Read & M^{r}: Elkanah Wales was Chosen Tythingman in the room of William Warrin who refused To Serve —

(3) Article being Read & no Committee made any report ——

(4) article Read and Capt Wm Warrins Petition was Read & Debated & then Dismiſt ————

Then Capt William Coollidges Petition being Read and after Debate thereon it was Committed to Meſs^{ures} Moſes Stone, David Bemis, and Samuel White to Consider the Petition and Report to the town at Next May Meeting what they think proper to be don thereon —

Then a list of Juriors that was Prepared was read to the town & accepted: as may be Seen on file ————

(5) article being Read They Voted to abate Samuel Jenifons Rates Ebenezer Everit appeared & afked to have his tax's abated that Mefs^rs^ William Warrin & William Harrington discharge his Rates in their lists upon his giving his Note of hand payable in one year with Interest for the Same to the Town-Treafurer for the use of the town ——— Then the Meeting was Defolved ——

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Wednesday the 20th Day of April 1785. at the Houfe of Capt Jonathan Maynard — — — — They Signed orders on the Town-Treafurer to pay the following Sums (Viz)
To Mefs^rs^: Josiah Capen William Hunt & others the Sum of ten pounds Eleven fhillings & ten pence in leiu of an order on M^r^: Ezekiel Hall not answered for the Sum of Seven Hundred and forty pounds eighteen Shillings which was given on s^d^ Hall. - also to Pay Lucy Bond Nine Pounds for Boarding Deliverance Whitney as appears on her account &c ——————
also to pay William Blaler thirty Six fhillings for houfe Room & Boarding Mary Learned ——————————

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also the Sum of ten fhillings to m^r^ Peter Harrington for a Load of Wood for Deliverance Whitney: and alfo to Pay to m^r^ Phinehas Jenifon three Pounds for his Service as Saxton for the year 1784. ————
At this Meeting they Agreed to have a Town Meeting on the Second Day of May Next at the Publick Meeting Houfe at two O Clock in the afternoon to Choofe a Perfon to Reprefent the Town in the General Court the enfueing year. ————
also to warn the freeholders &c: Quallified to vote in town affairs to meet the Same Day and at the Same Place at three O Clock afternoon to act on the following Articles (Viz) ——
First to Choofe a Moderator of the Meeting ————
(2^ly^) To hear the Petition of Capt: John Fowle. & the Request of others & for the town to act thereon as they think Proper. ————
(3^ly^) To hear the Report of the Committee Appointed to Examin the Treafurers accounts: also the Committee appointed to Confider the Petition of Capt: William Coollidge: as also any or all other Com^ttes^ appointed for Perticular Services,

and to do anything on any or either of them they See fitt ————————

(4ly) To hear the Pleas of any Perticular Perſons for Abateing any of their tax's and for the town to Act their Pleaſure thereon.

(5ly) For the town to Agree upon Some Meaſures to Pay their Just Debts and to Act thereon as they Judge best. ———

(6) To Grant any further Sums of Money as they may think Neceſsary or Needfull at this time. ————————

(7ly) To hear the purpoſal & request of Mr John Cook relating to the Bridge over his Wast water Near the Dam & do thereon as they See fit ——

and ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants to the Several Constables to Warn the Inhabitants Quallified to vote to meet at the times and Place Abovementioned which was Accordingly don & Signed. By order of ye Selectmen—

Jona; Brown Town-Clerk

The Selectmen at this Meeting Signed an order on the Town Treaſurer to pay mr. William Harrington £ 4 ″ 15 ″ 9 and Capt William Warren £ 6 ″ 3 ″3 being the abatement made in their lists of tax's against mr Ebenr: Everitt and took a note of mr Everit for the Same, —— They also let the wharf at Cambridge to mr Amos Livermore for £ 2 : 18 : ———— [fo]r the term of one year

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified according to the Conſtitution to Vote in the Choice of Representatives Regularly aſsembled at the Publick Meeting Houſe in Said town on Monday the Second day of May AD: 1785. ————

The Selectmen being Present the votes were Called for and after being brot. in Counted & Sorted it Appeared that Jonathan Brown Esqr: was Chosen to Represent the Town in the General Court the enſueing year. -

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting Houſe on Monday the Second Day of May AD: 1785. to act on Sundry affairs as Setforth in the Warrants for Calling the Meeting ————————

They Voted & Chofe William Hunt Esqr: Moderator of the Meeting
The Second Article was Read & as no Petition was offered the article paft over
(3) article was Read with the Report of the Committee on the Treafurers acc^{tts}- which was Voted and Accepted as on file — then the Petition of Capt: William Coollidge was Read with a Report thereon
then Voted to accept the Report and the Matter Subside for the Present.
(4) article being Read Capt: William Warren Asked to have Several perfons Rates abated in his lists, and the Town Voted to abate the following Perfons (Viz) Elijah Hultons being 18/ also Mr Dalrymples of 18/ —— and Seth Hastings's in N^{o}: (2) of - 18/ — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —
(5) article Read & Voted that the Treafurer Call in the outftanding monies due to the town to discharge the Demands on the Town ————————
(6) article Read and Mr Nathan Coollidge Presented an Account for money paid to three men to go to Rhoad Island being five pounds each in the year 1778. which was Voted & Granted agreable to the Scale at that time —
Then they Voted and Granted £ 5 pounds to Repair the Meeting Houfe
(7) article being Read M^{r}: John Cooks Purpofals for filling up his wast Stream was Read & Voted to ly on the files — ————

Then the Meeting was Defolved — — — — —— —— ——

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 23^{d}. Day of May 1785.
They agreed to have a Meeting with the Selectmen of Weston & Waltham at the wid^{o} Dorothy Coollidges on monday Next at three O Clock in the afternoon to take care of the Great Bridge & directed the Clerk to Notify them thereof. which was Accordingly don ————————
at this meeting the following Notifications were received (Viz) m^{r} Daniel Whitney Notified in Writting that he had received into his houfe one Enoch Hide and Family, also William Learned & Family last from Newton. See the notification Dated may ye 12th. 1785. ————————

Mr Nathaniel Ruggles Whitney also notified in Writting that he had received Polly Parks one of the poor of Newton into his Family
See the notification of may ye 16th: 1785. on file. ————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 28th- Day of July AD 1785 at the Houſe of Capt Jonathan Maynard. at the Request of a Large number of the Inhabitants of the Town. They Directed the Clerk to Issue out Warrants to the Constables to warn the Inhabitants of the town that are Qullified to vote in town affairs to meet at the Meeting Houſe on monday the 8th- Day of Aug^{t}: next at 4 O Clock afternoon to Act on ye following articles (Viz) First to Chooſe a Moderator of the Meeting ———

(2) To know the minde of the Town whether the tax Agreed upon for the Currant year, or any part thereof Shall he immediately aſseſsed or put of to a future time and to act any thing Relating thereto they Judge Proper.

(3) To Conſider whether it is expedient & Neceſsary to Settle all the Outſtanding Tax's before any New Tax Shall Issue, and do anything thereon that the town may think best. ——

(4) For the town to Chooſe a Collector of Tax's Surveyor of Highways & Tythingman in the room of Mr Nathaniel Bright Deceaſt. and any any other town officer in the place of any perſon or perſons that have Neglected to be Sworn into any office to which they were Choſen ————

(5) For the town to abate any perſons tax's they may think Proper. ————

(6) to hear the accounts of any perſons the town is Indebted to and Grant money to pay the Same if they think Proper. and make any further grants of money they may think Neceſsary.

(7) To Hear the Reports of any Committees and act thereon as they See fitt —

Warrants were Issued Accordingly

Pr Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick Meeting Houſe in Said Town on Monday ye 8th Day of August AD: 1785. to act on the Several Matters Contained in the Warrant for Calling ye Meeting

They Voted and Chose Capt: Jonathan Maynard Moderator. — The 2^{d} article being Read and after debate thereon. Voted that the aſseſsing the town Tax's be put of till the former Collectors of tax's Settle their accounts or the further order of the Town. — Then Voted that the Collectors be allow'd two months to Settle with the Treaſurer. after which time the Treaſurer is Directed to Issue his Executions against all Such as Neglect to Settle their Accounts. Then Voted that the Aſseſsors Should Aſseſs the Miniſterial Tax emediately on the 4th article They voted & Choſe Mr Richard Clark a Collector of Tax's in the Room of Mr Nathaniel Bright Deceaſt to finiſh Collecting the Remainder of S^{d} Brights lists of tax's - - - - - - - - - - - - -
Then Voted & Choſe Mr Samuel White Surveyor of Highway to finiſh s^{d} Brights list of Highway tax's in his room - - - - -
The 5th. 6th: & 7th Articles not being Acted upon a motion being made & Seconded it was Voted that the Meeting Should be Diſolved and the moderator Accordingly declared it to be Disolved. ————————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 10th- day of Aug^{t}: 1785 at the Houſe of Capt: Jonathan Maynard an account was Presented from Nathl. Ruggles Whitney for Keeping School &c which was accepted - - -
at this Meeting a Petition was Presented to the Selectmen desireing them to call a Town Meeting to take into Consideration the circumſtances of the Collectors Relating to the State Tax's &c also to Consider of Some Proper & Speedy way of Paying the Rev^{d}: m^{r} Eliots Sallary &c
Whereupon they Ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants to the Constables to warn the Inhabitants of the Town Quallified to vote in Town affairs to meet at the Meeting on Monday ye 22^{d}. Inſtant
at two O Clock afternoon for the following Purpoſes. (Viz)
First to Chooſe a Moderator of ye Meeting
(2^{d}) To abate any Perſons Rates they think Proper. and Grant money to make good any State tax's that have been or may be abated. ————————

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(3^{d}) To make any further grants of money the Town may Judge Neceſsary. ——
(4) For the Town to take Such Meaſures as they Judge Ex-

pedient and neceſsary to obtain a Speedy Settlement of the State Tax's Still remaining unſettled in the Several Constables and Collectors hands. and do any thing thereon that the Town may Judge Neceſsary in order to bring the Matter to a final Settlement. ————————

(5th) For the Town to deviſe Speedy ways & means for the Seaſonable and more early Payment of the Revd: Mr Eliots Sallary as it from time to time becomes due, and to make Such alterations in the former Contract, or enter into any New Agreement as may be Mutually agreed upon between mr: Eliot and the Town, and do and act any thing relating thereto that may be thot: best. ————

(6th) To hear the Reports of any Committees & act thereon as may Appear proper. ——

(7th) To appoint a Committee if it is thot: Neceſsary to Settle any Accounts between any or either of the Collectors & Town-Treaſurer and Act thereon as they See fitt. ———

(8th) To hear the Reaſonable Request of any perſon or perſons and act thereon as they think Expedient. ————

Warrants were Issued out Accordingly Dated 15th- Inſtant

Pr Order of the Selectmen Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe in Said Town on Monday the 22d Day of august AD 1785. ————

They Choſe William Hunt Esqr: Moderator of ye meeting ——

2d article being Read. and Paſsed over. ————

3d article being Read Voted & Granted £ 6 pounds to Repair the great Bridge - - - -

4th article Read Voted that the Selectmen be Impowered to Send two perſons after William Warren an obsconding Collector at the expence of the town &c

Voted that the Selectmen take care & examin the lists of Collectors of of State Tax's and Proceed with them in manner as the law Directs

5th article Read Voted that the Selectmen & Town-Treaſurer take Care to pay mr Eliots Sallary Quarterly as it becomes due - - - ————

6th article past over. on the Seventh article Voted to Chooſe a

Com^{tte}- to Settle with the Treafurer & Collectors and Chofe for Said Committee

Saml Fisk Esqr
Wm Hunt Esqr:
m^{r} Amos Livermore

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Mr Samuel Cooks Account was Recommitted to the former Committee to examin and make Report thereon at the next meeting — Then the Meeting was Adjourned to monday the 5th day of Sepr next at three O Clock afternoon at this Place ————

At a meeting of the Selectmen at Capt: Jonathan Maynards on the 22^{d} day of august AD 1785. They Signed an order on the Town-Treafurer to Pay Mr Nathaniel Ruggles Whitney £ 33 ″6 ″ 8 in full for keeping School last year. and £ 4 Pounds to Jedidiah Learned in part for Boarding Abigail Hay ———

At a meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of the wid^{o}: Dorothy Coollidge on monday the 29th- Day of August- 1785 ———— They Signed an order on the Town-Treafurer to pay the Sum of one Hundred Pounds to the Rev^{d}: M^{r}: Richard R: Eliot as his Sallary the Present year the year begining the eighth day of may last Past, the payments to be Quarterly as they become due ——

At a Publick Town Meeting held at the Meeting Houfe on Monday the fifth Day of Sep^{r}: AD 1785. by Adjournment William Hunt Esqr who was the moderator being Absent The town Voted and Chofe Samuel Fisk Esqr: moderator ———— Then the Second article in the Warrant being Read relating to abateing Tax's The town voted & abated the following Tax's (viz)

In David Stones
Simon Coollidges 1 : 7 :9-

Henry Bradfhaws
Noah Torrey s 1 : 8 :3
Jon^{a} Crofsbees 1 : 5 :8
James Shermans 1 :18 :7
John Randols 0 : 4 :4
Willm Trasks 0 : 3 :8

- In Samuel Soden's list
Jedidiah Whites of - 0 ″ 8 ″ 0
John Gipsons 0 :4 :0

In Richard Clarks late Nath^{ll} Brights
James Austins 1 : 5 : 0 : 1
George Browns 0 :18 : 5 : 1
Joseph Hays 0 :11 : 2 :—
Freemans 0 :10 : 9 :—

Then they voted that Such part of Oliver Learneds Tax's Should be abated. as the afsefsors think Proper — Then the meeting was adjourned to the first monday in Oct^{r}: next at this place —

In Daniel Cooks
James Shermans 0 : 9 : 10 :—

In Edmund Fowles-
George Browns 1 : 3 : 6 : 1
Saml Fullars 0 : 13 : 9 —
Williams 0 : 13 : 9 —

Joseph Brights
George Browns 0 : 18 : 0
Saml Fullars 0 : 10 : 6—
Joseph Hays Tax
Stephen Simms 2 : 9 : 8—
Jon^{a}. Crofsbees 2 : 16 : 8
John Wellingtons 0 : 6 : 2
Noah Torrey 0 : 8 : 0
Eben Wakefield 0 : 3 : 4
Thos Gorden [*]

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at Mrs Coollidges on monday ye 5th- Day of Sep^{r}: AD 1785 They Signed an order on the treafurer to pay Mr Amos Bond £ 9 : 6 : 2 : 2 as a Ballance due to him before the first of march last past - -

At a Meeting (being for approbation) of the Selectmen on Thursday the 8th- Day of Sep^{r}: AD. 1785. at the Houfe of M^{rs}: Dorothy Coollidge they approbated the following Perfons for Innholders and Relaitors (Viz) ————

Innholders	Retailors
m^{rs}: Dorothy Coollidge	Mefs^{rs} Eben^{r} Kent
mefs^{rs} Edward Richardfon	Abner Craft
Jonathan Maynard	Jedi^{h} Leathe
Saml: Wellington	John Fowle
John Bullard	John George
	Daniel Jackson
	Francis Faulkner
	Henry Bradfhaw
	Hezekiah Medcalf
	David Bemis

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of Capt: Jonathan Maynard on Monday the 26th- Day of Sep^{r}: 1785 They Signed Indentures for Binding Aaron Learned to m^{r} Amos Briant of Cambridge ————

They also Signed orders on the town Treafurer to Pay Col^{o}: Nathan Fullar 42/ for Special Services don for the town — also an order to pay to the Several Perfons afternamed the Sums affixt to their Several Names being allow'd them for Services at the Great Bridge according to the adjustment on the 23^{d} Day of Feby last past (Viz) ———

To Stephen Cook	1 " 10 " ——
To Jackson & Company	0 " 12 " ——
To Newton Baxter	0 " 7 " ——
To Amos Livermore	0 " 19 " ——
To Amos Bond	0 " 16 " ——
To Waltham being a mistake in ye last adju^{t}	1 " 0 " ——

At this Meeting they agreed to have a New Town Meeting at the meeting Houfe on monday the 3^{d} Day of Oct^{r}: next at 3: O Clock in the afternoon to act on the following Articles (Viz) First to Choofe a moderator of the Meeting ———

(2) To Choofe a Collector of tax's in the Room of m^{r}: William Warrin or any other Collector as the town may think Necefsary ————

(3) To Inquire of the Managers of the lottery for Repairing the Great Bridge over Charles-River how far they have proceeded and act thereon as they [thin]k Proper ————

Warrants were Issued accordingly p^{r} J Brown Town Clerk

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At a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Afsembled at the Meeting Houfe in Said Town on Monday the third Day of October 1785. By adjournment —— Samuel Fisk Esqr: being Moderator of the Meeting ———

The Meeting being Opened the (6) article being taken into Consideration the Committee appointed to Examin the Accounts of a Committee who were Chofen ye 27 Day of December 1780. to hire men to fill up Watertowns Quota of the army - made Report. that they had attended that Service ———— and that it appeared that a Ballance was due the town from m^{r} David Sanger one of the Said Committee the Sum of £ 8 " 6 " 8

and that a Ballance was due ye town from

Major Josiah Capen of 15 " 2 : ——

and that a Ballance was due from ye town to
m^r Amos Bond of 20 " 9 " 5
See the Report on file ————————
which Report was Accepted - Then Mefs^rs. Sanger and Bond Prefented their Account for time and Expence in the Service of hireing men both amounting to the Sum of - - - £ 28 : 0 : 6 which was Voted & accepted —— and it was Voted that the town Treafurer Give M^r: Bond a Note of hand in the Name of ye town for the Ballance due to him from the town upon Interest for the Same till paid —— Then the Meeting was Adjourned to thursday Next at three O Clock afternoon to meet at this Place —

Then the Meeting that was Called by the other Warrant to be held at the Same time and Place for the Purpofes Mentioned in the Warrant for Calling the Same was Opened and ————
They Voted & Chofe Samuel Fisk Esqr Moderator of the Meeting and it being late and being Some Dark the Meeting was adjourned to Thursday Next to meet at two O Clock at the Same place —

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 3^d of Oct^r: 1785. at Capt. Jonathan Maynards they haveing received an Account from Mary Vila for Boarding Benjamin Whitney amounting to the Sum of £ 8 " 1 " 10 which they ordered the Treafurer to pay in Such way as Could be don confistant with the State of the Treafury —

At a Publick Town Meeting held at the Meeting Houfe on Thursday the 6 Day of Oct^r: 1785. by adjournment. the town took into Consideration the article Relating to Choofing a Collector in the Room of William Warren and voted to Choofe a Committee to examin the Security the town has for m^r Warins performance of Collecting &c - and to make report at the Adjournment ————————

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Voted and Chofe for Said Committee { m^r Laben Wheaten / m^r Edmund Fowle / Mr Amos Bond }
then the article Relating to the Lottery was Read and Considered and they voted that the aforementioned Committee make Report how far the managers have Proceeded and Make report what is proper to be don thereon at the adjournment of the Meeting ————————

Then the Meeting was adjourned to monday the 17 Inſtant at 2. O Clock afternon at this Place ————

Then the other Town Meeting which has been Continued by adjournments from the 22d Day of August last to this time was Opened. and after Debates thereon the Town Voted that the Treaſurer Suspend the Sending out Executions against Daniel Mason & Joseph Bright till after the adjournment of the Meeting — and then the meeting was Adjourned to the Same time that the aforementioned meeting Stands Adjourned to ————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at mr Samuel Wellingtons on the 12th Day of October AD: 1785. they Signed orders on the Town-Treaſr: to pay the wido Mary Vila in full for Boarding Benjamin Whitney from the Seventh day of march last to the third day of octr: Inſtant £ 8 : 1 : 0

and the Sum of 4/ to the adminiſtratrix of ye Estate of Nathl Bright Deceaſt: for Baize provided for Abigail Hay ———— 0 : 4 : 0

and to pay the following Perſons for Collecting Tax's according to a Grant made to them (Viz)

to Josiah Sanderſon —	3 : 0 : 0
to Wm Harrington —	4 " 10 : 0
to Nathl Brights Estate	1 " 16 : 0
to Jona: Child — —	1 " 16 : 0

also Six Pounds to Jedidiah Learned in part for Boarding the widow Deliverance Whitney & Abigail Hay — — 6 : 0 " ——

At a Publick Town Meetings of the Inhabitants of Watertown aſsembled at the meeting Houſe on monday the 17 Day of Octr: 1785 by adjournt. Samuel Fisk Esqr: being moderator. the Meeting being Opened the Committee Appointed to Examin into William Warrens and Josiah Capens Security Relating to the tax's &c and after Debate thereon they Voted to Chooſe a Collector of tax's in the Room of sd: Warren Voted & Choſe Major Josiah Capen Collector of tax's in ye Room of Warren Voted that Wm Harrington be paid out of the treaſury the Sum of [*] pounds to make good the Sum he paid for Daniel Parkers tax's

[Vo]ted & Granted 13 : 11 : 3 in addition to the former grant to purchaſe [th]e Bell &c. Voted & accepted David Sanger's Report on the Barrack &c

Voted —

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Voted that when the Treafurer Issues his Execution against Mr Henry Bradfhaw that Daniel Parkers & the late Phinehas Harringtons tax's in s^d^. Bradfhaw's lists be not Included therein - - Voted that the Treafurer take the Direction of the Selectmen when & which of the Constables or Collectors he Shall Issue his Executions against
Then Voted to adjourn the Meetings with the remainder of the Bufinefs to monday Next at five O Clock afternoon to meet at the Houfe of M^r^: Samuel Wellington Innholder in Watertown—

At a Publick Town Meeting held at the Houfe of m^r^ Samuel Wellington on the 24th- Day of Oct^r^: 1785. Samuel Fisk Esqr: being Moderator the Meeting being Opened. Major Josiah Capen Informed that he declined Serving as Collector in the Room of William Warren.— Where upon the Question was put whether they would Choofe Some other perfon and it Past in the Negative Then M^r^. Amos Bond one of the Managers of ye lottery informed the town that they Suppofed they Should be able to Draw the first Clafs in January Next. ————
Then it was Voted that the Selectmen give Directions to the Treafurer when to Issue his Executions against Delinquent Constables & Collectors
Then the Meeting was Defolved. ————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at Mr Samuel Wellingtons on the 21th- Day of Nov^r^: AD 1785. They Signed an order on the Town-Treafurer to pay Mr Richard Clark £ 3 ″ 16 ″1 it being in full of his Charge for taking Joseph Hay out of Goal for his Tax's &c ————————
also they Signed an order to Pay m^r^ Amos Bond or give him a note agreable to the vote of the town for the Ballance that Appeared due to him for hireing men for the Army: and to pay Capt: Phinehas Stearnes Thirty fhillings towards the Support of Mary Boyington ————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of the Wid^o^: Dorothy Coollidge on the Second Day of January AD: 1786. They Signed an order on the Town-Treafurer to pay Dr Marfhall Spring 6 : 4 ″ 4 for Medecine & attendance on Anna Ranger Ruth Maddox & the Wid^o^ Deliverance Whitney, also to pay Mr Mofes Stone Juni^r^ £ 3 : 16 : [*] in full of his ac-

* torn

count for Collecting Tax's. Soldiers Receipts & Expences as one [of the] Selectmen in ye year 1783. —— and to William Blaber £ 0″ 15″ [*] full of Account for Houſe Room for Mary Learned. ————

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 27th- day of January AD: 1786. at the Houſe of m^rs Dorothy Coollidge. They agreed to meet the Selectmen of Weston & Waltham on the Sixth day of February Next at two O Clock afternoon at the Houſe of Mr Benjamin Bird in Waltham to adjust the Charge that has ariſen Since the last Adjustment for the repairs of the Great Bridge over the River in Watertown, and Directed the Town-Clerk to Notify ye Selectmen of Weston & Waltham of the time and Place of Meeting also to Notify the Selectmen of Waltham to Settle the Accounts relating to Abigail Ball at the Same time; notice has been Sent Accordingly P^r J Brown Town-Clerk
At this meeting the Selectmen Signed an order on the treaſurer to give Mr Amos Bond a Note on Interest for the whole Sum due to him on acc^tt: of his hireing men to fill up the Army &c —

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston, & Waltham at the Houſe of Mr Benjamin Bird Inn-holder in Waltham on the 6th: Day of Feb^y:. AD 1786.
they adjusted the Charge that had ariſen for the Support of the Great Bridge in Watertown Since ye last adjustment the whole amounting to 23 : 6 : 8 of which Sum —

Watertown's	Part	is -	8″ 7″ 11″ 2
Weston's	d^o-	is - -	7″ 10″ 3 —
Walthams	d^o	is - -	7″ 8″ 5″ 2
			£ 23″ 6″ 8″ 0

And at the Same time & Place the Selectmen of Watertown & Waltham Settled the Account for the Support of Abigail Ball that had ariſen Since the last Settlement. The whole Account amounting to the Sum of £ 16″ 2″ 2 of which Sum

Watertowns	Part	is —	8″ 10 : 11 : 2
Walthams	d^o	is —	7″ 11″ 2 : 2
			£ 16″ 2″ 2 : 0

* torn

At a meeting of ye Selectmen of 13th- Day of Feb^y^: AD. 1786 at m^r^ John Bullards they Signed an Order of the Town-Treafurer to pay to ye Several perfons the Sums Set to their Names in full of their accounts Exhibited ———

(Viz)	To Jonathan Brown Esqr - - - -	1 ″	1 ″	0
	To Capt: Chri^s^ Grant Ju^r^ —	0 ″	10 ″	6
	To Mr Amos Livermore - -	0 ″	10 ″	0
	To Mr David Sanger - - - -	0 ″	15 ″	0
	To Capt Phin^s^ Stearnes - - -	0 ″	6 ″	0
	To Wm Hunt Esqr			

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They also Signed an order on the Treafurer to pay the Sum of - - 23 ″ 6 ″ 8 to the Several perfons afternamed ye Sum Set to each of their Names it being for their Services in repairing the Great Bridge Agreable to ye last Adjustment ————

(Viz)	To Mr David Sanger in full of his Account	3 ″	4 ″	0
	To Mr Stephen Cook on D^o^ — — — —	3 ″	2 ″	0
	To m^r^ Newton Baxter D^o^ — — — —	0 ″	8 ″	5
	To m^r^ Daniel Coollidge D^o^ — — — —	0 ″	17 ″	0
	To Mefs^rs^ Faulkner & Jones — — — —	0 ″	4 ″	5
	To Mr Nathl Harris — — — — — —	0 ″	17 ″	0
	To Mr Amos Livermore — — — — —	2 ″	12 ″	0
	To Mr John Tainter — — — — — —	0 ″	4 ″	0
	To Mr John Parry — — — — — — —	0 ″	9 ″	0
	To Settle with ye Selectmen of Weston —	11 ″	8 ″	0
		£ 23 ″	6 ″	8

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 21th- Day of Feby. 1786. They Agreed to have a Publick Town Meeting on the 6th- day of March Next at nine O: Clock in the forenoon at the Meeting Houfe. and ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants Directed to the Constables to Warn the Inhabitants Quallified to vote in Town affairs to Afsemble at S^d^: time and place for the following Purpofes (Viz) First to Choofe a Moderator of the Meeting. (2) To Choofe Selectmen Town -Clerk and all other town officers required to be Chofe in the month of March annually (3) To Choofe a Saxton & Agree how he Shall be Paid for his Service — (4) To Determin whether Swine Shall run at large the enfueing year ———— (5) To Put in their Votes for a County Register

& Treafurer. (6) To agree what Schools Shall be kept, and Grant money to Support the Same and act any thing relating thereto the town may think Proper (7) To grant money to Support the Poor, (8) To Grant money to Support the Great Bridge, and act any thing relating to ye Same as they think best. (9) To grant money to repair the Highways and do any thing relating thereto they Judge best. (10) To Choofe a Committee to Examin the Treafurers Accounts. ———— (11) To know the mind of the town whether they will make any repairs of the meeting Houfe and act any thing relating thereto they think Proper. —— (12) To know the mind of the town whether they will do any thing on the affair of the lottery Granted to widen and repair the Bridge and Act any thing relating thereto the Judge proper. —— (13) For the town to give directions to the afsefsors & others relating to the taxing Such of the Inhabitants as Profefs themfelves to be of the Baptift perfwation, and to act thereon as may Appear to be just & Right (14) For the town to Appoint a Committee to Adjust & Settle accounts with any Constables or Collectors that have or may give up their lists without finifhing [their] Collections, —— and also to Choofe Collectors in the Room of Such if they See fit.

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(15) To abate any perfons Rates they think proper. ——— ———

and also to Notify the town Creditors to bring in their Accounts to ye Selectmen at the Houfe of Mr John Bullard on Fryday the third day of March Next at two O Clock in the afternoon.

Warrants were Issued Accordingly

Pr Jon^a: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of M^r: John Bullard on the third Day of March AD: 1786. to receive the accounts of Such Perfons as the town is Indebted to the following were Presented and received (Viz) —

John Stearnes for Boarding Deliverance Whitney and Abigail Ball Before the Sixth Day of ye present month - - - 22 : 16 : ——

Eunice Coollidge for Boarding Ruth Maddox &c to ye Sixt Inft: — — — 12 " 7 : 1

Thos: Sheppard for Mary Boyington Board &c to march ye 6th- — — 1 " 12 : 0

Josiah Capens Poor acc^{tt}- to ye Sixth of march -	2 : 8 : 0
Mary Vilas acc^{tt}- for Benj^{a}- Whitney from Oct^{r}: ye 4th to march 4th- —	5 ″ 7 : 2
Chris^{r}: Grant ju^{r} poor acc^{tt}- to march ye 6th — —	1 ″ 10 ″ 6
David Sangers D^{o}. to D^{o} — — — — — — — —	2 : 4 : 5
Amos Livermors D^{o}. to D^{o} — — — — — — — —	2 : 1 ″ 3
Daniel Jackson & Company for Saml Jenifon —	0 : 10 : 8
William Stones for Boarding Mary Learned to ye 6th Inſtant — — — —	0 : 16 : 0
Jedidiah Learneds for Boarding Deliverance Whitney & Abigail Hay to march ye 6 — — —	35 : 4 : 0
	£ 86 : 19 : 1

School Account (Viz) ————	
Nathl Shermans from Oct^{r}: 12th to Decr 10th & wood &c- —	8 ″ 0 ″ 6
Saml Hoar for Boarding & wood ————	5 ″ 9 ″ 6
Nathl R: Whitney from Nov^{r}: ye 7 to Feb^{y}: 27th-	16 ″ 16 ″ 0
Jacob Nortons acc^{tt}for ye time Past — —	31 ″ 0 ″ 0
Moſes Coollidge for Wood for the School — —	2 ″ 6 ″ 8
	63 ″ 12 ″ 8

March ye 27. 1786 the Selectmen Signed an Order on the Treaſurer to pay all the above Accounts Except Jedidiah Learneds for which the order is only £ 25 ″ 4 : 0 being all that is due ——

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At the aforementioned Meeting the following Accounts were bro^{t}: to the Selectmen to be laid before the town for their allowance

Phinehas Stearnes for Labour &c for the town	6 ″ 10 ″ 5
Marſhall Springs for Medecine & attendance on ye poor	4 ″ 16 ″ 0
William Chenery for two Ploughs	1 ″ 16 ″ 0
Hugh Maſon for three Large Stones	0 ″ 8 ″ 0
Henry Farrington for making a Frame &c for ye Bell	2 ″ 13 ″ 0
Newton Baxter for Irons &c for the Bell	0 ″ 4 ″ 0
Selectmens expences in the Service of the town last year	5 ″ 12 ″ 7
Jonathan Brown for Serving Treaſurer ye year Past	6 ″ 0 ″ 0
Josiah Bisco for Serving Aſseſsor the year Past	3 ″ 0 ″ 0

Amos Bond for like Service	2″ 0″0
Daniel Mason for like Service	2″ 0″0
	£ 35″ 0″0

Which Sum of thirty five Pounds was Granted See Page (360) if the Selectmen allow the whole of m^r Henry Farringtons Account See Page (360)

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday ye 10th Day of April AD 1786 they let the Hay Scale for one year to Mr Jedidiah Leathe for three pounds the year to begin on the tenth Day of January last Past. ————
Mr Leathe was Appointed by the Selectmen to be Surveyor & weigher of Hay for one year and Was Sworne into office. By Jon^a: Brown Just^t: Peace

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Maj^r Mellens on monday the Seventeenth Day of April AD. 1786. They Signed an order on the Town Treaſurer to pay the town Creditors above mentioned Except Henry Farringtons which is not as yet allowed ————
They also Signed an order to Pay to William Hunt Esqr: and others a Committee that was Appointed to hire men to fill the Army a Sum Equal to £ 1110″ 2 : 9 old Currency agreable to the former Order ———

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe in Said town on Monday the Sixth day of March AD: 1786. for the Choice of Town officers and other affairs as Mentioned in the Warrant for Calling the Meeting ————
Then they Voted & Choſe William Hunt Esqr: for Moderator —

Choſe for Selectmen ———— M^r: Samuel White
M^r: Sam^ll: Soden
Mr Thos: Pattin
Mr Richd Clark
William Hunt Esqr

Choſe Town-Clerk & TownTreaſurer Jonathan Brown Esqr:

Chofe for Afsefsors ——— { Mr Josiah Bisco
Mr Amos Bond
Mr Daniel Mason

Chofe for Constable Mr Richard Clark
Chofe Collector in the room of William Warren Major Josiah Capen ———
Chofe Wardens Mefsrs. Amos Bond & William Leathe
Fence-Viewers William Leathe & Amos Bond ——
Sealer of Leather Elijah Mead ———
Surveyors of Highways Mefsrs Wm- Hunt, Leonard Bond, Josh Bright, & David Sanger
Tythingmen Mefsrs John Meacham, & Laban Wheaton ———
Surveyors of Timber &c Mefsrs- David Sanger & Thos: Vofe
Clerks of ye Markets Mefsrs Ephraim Jones & Thos: Vofe
Hogrieves Mefsrs Amos Bond & William Leathe ———
Cullars of Hoops Staves &c mefs Jeremiah Bridge & Daniel Jackson
Chofe for Saxton Mr Phinehas Jenifon & Granted him £ 4 for ye Service
Then Adjourned to two O Clock afternoon at this place ———
afternoon being met according to adjournment ———
Voted that Swine Should not go at large the Present year ———
Then the Votes for a County Register were brot: in Counted & Sorted and it appeared that William Winthorp Esqr had 17 Votes
Then the Votes were brot: in for a County Treafurer ———
Then they voted & Granted £ 100 pounds to Support the School, also Voted that a Grammer School be kept the whole year & that it be moved to each School Houfe it equal part of the time and be under the direction of the Selectmen —
Then Voted & Granted £ 90 to Support the poor. ———
the 8th- article put of for this time ———

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Then they Voted Granted as a Sum to repair the Highways & town-ways a Single Poll to be half a Days work & the Estates in Proportion the wages ye Same as last year. (Viz) 6/ Pr Day for a Man & ye Same for a Team. ———

Then they voted & Chofe for a Comtt. to Examin ye Treafr. acctt: { William Hunt Esqr
mr Amos Bond
Capt Chisr Grant Jur

Then they Voted to Put of ye Consideration of ye repairing ye

meeting Houſe to next April meeting Choſe a Committee to View ye Same & make report at that time ———

Choſe for Said Committee { M^r^: Amos Livermore
Mr William Chenery
Mr Amos Bond

on the 12th: Article relating to the lottery they Voted to Chooſe Seven men to be a Committee to Examin into the Circumſtances of the lottery & report at April meeting ————

Voted & Choſe for Said Committee { William Hunt Esqr
Thos: Voſe
Edm^d^: Fowle
Josiah Bisco
David Sanger
Fran^s^: Faulkner
Amos Livermore

on the 13th article the town Voted that the Baptiſt hereafter named Should Draw their tax's paid for Support of the parriſh in Watertown upon their Produceing a Certificate as the law Directs (Viz)
Meſs^rs^ Josiah Norcroſs, Ebenezer Stetſon, & Richard Everitt. — on ye 14th article they Voted to Chooſe a Committee to Settle & Adjust the account of Constables Collectors, & others to conſist of three men ———

Choſe for Said Committee ——— { W^m^- Hunt Esqr
m^r^ David Bemis.
m^r^ Josiah Bisco.

m^r^: Richard Clark agreed to Collect the Town & County tax for 3 & ¾ Pr Cent & State for 2½ Pr Cent ————

The Buſineſs of ye meeting being don it was Deſolved —— Middleſex ſs Watertown March ye 6th: 1786 Jonathan Brown Esqr was Sworn in to the offices of Town-Clerk & town-Treaſurer P^r^ W^m^- Hunt Just^t^ Peace ———— and the following Perſons were Sworn into the Several offices hereafter mentioned (Viz) Josiah Bisco, Amos Bond, & Daniel Mason Aſseſsors —— Richd Clark Constable ——— Josiah Capen Collector ——— Amos Bond & Wm Leathe Wardens ———— William Hunt Esqr Leonard Bond, & Joseph Bright Surveyors of Highways. ——— Thos Voſe Surveyor of timber &c ———— Ephraim Jones & Thomas Voſe Clerks of ye Markets ——— Jeremiah Bridge & Daniel Jackson Cullars of Hoops Staves &c ————

Sworn Before

Jon^a^: Brown } Just^s^ of ye Peace
W^m^- Hunt }

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At a meeting of the Selectmen on the Day of march AD. 1786. They Ordered the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant to the Constable to warn all the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote (agreable to the Constitution) in the Choice of Governor L^{t}: Governor & Senators to Aſsemble at the Publick Meeting Houſe in Said town on monday the 3^{d} Day of April Next at two O Clock in the afternoon to give in their Votes for a Governor & Lt Governor & five Senators for the County of middleſex — also to warn all the Inhabitants of S^{d}: Town who are Quallified to vote in town affairs to meet the Same Day at the Same Place at three O Clock afternoon to Act on the following Articles (Viz) First to Chooſe a Moderator of the Meeting. (2) To Chooſe any town officers in the Room of any that Neglect or Refuse to Serve (3) To hear the acc^{tts}- of thoſe Perſons the town is Indebted to and grant money to pay ye Same (4) To know the Minds of the town whether they will Chooſe a Committee for providing School masters for the two Schools and act thereon as they think Expedient. and Whether they will grant any further Sums of money for Schools this year. (5) To know the minde of the town whether they will further Proſecute a Petition to the Court of Seſsions for Altering the County Road Near Treadways Bridge and to act thereon as may be Judged best. (6) To know the Minde of the town whether they will grant a further Sum of Money for repairs of the highways and Making alterations therein ———— (7) To know if the town will leaſe the Hay Scales at auction, and act thereon as may be thought best ——— (8) To hear the Reports of any Committees, and Act thereon as may be Judged Expedient. ——— (9) To abate any Perſons tax's in any Collectors lists - and Act thereon as may —— Expedient (10) To know if the town will Chooſe a Committee to Apply to the Court of Seſsions for a County workhouſe (11) To know the minds of the town whether they will Sell the paper money in the town Treaſury and act thereon as may be Judged Expedient. ——— (12) To know the minds of the town whether they will allow Interest to thoſe Perſons who have don Services for the town and thoſe who have advanced money for the towns uſe and Act thereon as is best ————————

A Warrant was Issued Accordingly. Dated the 13th- Day of March and Signed by Order of the Selectmen ————

Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of m^{r}: Edward Richardſon on the 27th Day of march AD: 1786. They Signed an order on the Treaſurer to Pay the Sum of £ 5″ 6″ 11 To the Collector of tax's in the town of Cambridge for the Tax's Aſſeſt on the Houſe and Land in Cambridge that was Improved by James Hay & others by order of the Selectmen of Watertown in the years 1780 & 1781 ————————

They also Signed orders to Pay the accounts of the Several Perſons with the Sums affixt to their Names as Mentioned in the ( ) page of this Book — They also let the Wharfe to m^{r}: Moſes Coollidge which lys in Cambridge for one year from the first day of April Next for 37/ ——— and m^{r} Coollidge ^{gave} his note of hand to the town Treaſurer Payable in one year

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified according to the Constitution Regularly aſsembled at the meeting Houſe in Said Town on Monday the third Day of April AD 1786. to give in their Votes for a Governor and L^{t}: Governor. the Selectmen being Present. the Votes were Called for bro^{t}: in Counted & Sorted and it appeared that his Excellency James Bowdoin $^{Esq^{r}}$ had twenty three Votes, & the Hon^{ll}: Benjn: Lincoln Esqr: had three Votes - Then the Votes were Called for, for a Leiu^{t}: Governor, and it appeared that the Hon^{ll} Thomas Cuſhing $^{Esq^{r}}$ had twenty one Votes, and the Honorable Samuel Adams $^{Esq^{r}}$ had Six Votes - -

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Then the Votes were Called for for five Senators for the County of Middleſex and were bro^{t}: in Counted and Sorted and it Appeared that the following Gentlemen had the Number of Votes Set against each of their Names (Viz).

Nath^{ll} Gorham Esqr —	18	Abraham Fullar Esqr -	1
Eben^{r} Bridge Esqr —	12	John Brooks Esqr — —	3
Eleazor Brooks Esqr —	11	William Hull Esqr —	2
Joseph-Bradly Vernon Esqr — — — — — — —	22	James Ruſsell Esqr —	1
Joseph Hoſmer Esqr —	19	Stephen Dana Esqr —	1
		Jon^{a} Brown Esqr — —	1

Joseph Lee Esqr — —	1	Thos Fayerweather Esqr	2
Sam^{ll}Thatcher Esqr —	10	Joseph Curtis Esqr —	16
Wm Baldwin Esqr —	1		

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At a Regular Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified According to law to vote in town affairs held at the Meeting Houſe in Said town on Monday ye 3^{d} Day of April 1786. to tranctact Sundry town affairs as Mentioned in the Warrant &c ————

They Voted and Choſe William Hunt Esqr: Moderator of ye Meeting

on the 2^{d} article They Voted and Excuſed Mr John Meacham and Mr Laban Wheaton from Serving Tythingmen after which Meſsures Moſes Coollidge, and Moſes Warrin were Choſen in their Room

Then Meſs^{rs} Amos Bond & William Leathe from Serving Hogrieves and Josiah Mixer & Daniel Cornwall were Choſen in their Room

They also Excuſed W^{m}- Leathe and Amos Bond from Serving as Fence-Viewers & Choſe Thomas Clark & Jonathan Bemis in their room

They Voted and Chooſe Meſs^{urs} Hugh Mason & Joseph Bright Howards ————

all which Town officers were Sworn emediately P^{r} W^{m}- Hunt Just^{t}: Peace

3 Art^{le}: the Accounts of thoſe perſons the town is Indebted to were Read and accepted and allow'd (Excepting Henry Farrington which was refered to the Selectmen with the advice of m^{r} Amos Livermore and for the Selectmen to allow what they Shall Judge is right)

Then they Granted the Sum of £ 35 pounds to Sattisfie the Same (See the accounts at the (355) page of this Book ———

4 Art^{le}: Sundry motions were made for Chooſeing a Committee to provide Schoolmasters and for Makeing Some further Grants but none Obtained and the article Dropt. ————

5 Article Relating to the Alteration of the Road at Treadways Bridge being read & Considered They Voted that the following perſons Should be a Committee to View the Same and Report at the Next town Meeting (Viz) Saml: Fisk Esqr: Meſs^{rs} David Sanger & Amos Livermore together with the Selectmen to be Said Committee ————

6 article Put to Vote wheather they will make any further Grant for the Highways it Past in the Negative ————

7 Article Voted that the Selectmen Lease the Hay Scales as may be most for the benefitt of the town and Appoint a hay weigher to be under oath ————

8 Article the Committee appointed to Sell or leafe Common lands made report of their doings See the Report at the (161) Page ————

9 Article relating to abateing tax's being Read Mr Daniel Mafon Prefented a list for abatement and the town Paft the following Votes (Viz) ———

That

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that Simon Coollidge Shall be allowed to Work out his Rates being £ 2 : 0 : 0 in Said Mafons lists at 4/ Shillings Pr Day and that Samuel Jenifons being the Sum of 21/ fhillings may be worked out the Same way ————

Then Jonathan Stone Presented a list for abatement (Viz) Jedidiah Whites of 18/9 it was Voted that his may be worked out the Same way also that Simon Coollidges being 7/1 be worked out in ye Same Manner ————
Richard Clark offered a list as follows (Viz) Bezll: Learneds of £ 1 : 5 : 8 and Simon Coollidges of £0 " 18 : 8 : 3 may be Worked out in ye Same manner, and that Jacob Hows of /5 pence be abated also Michal Carews of /5 be abated and the others be Collected ————

Joseph Bright Prefented the following list (Viz) ————

Thos Goliver of ——	0 " 10 " 6
Nathl Murry of ——	0 " 10 " 6
Saml Stovers of ——	0 " 10 " 6
Wm Trafk of ———	0 " 12 " 0
Which was Voted & abated ————	2 " 3 " 6

Edmund Fowle Presented the following list (Viz)

Thos Golivers of	0 " 13 " 9 " —

which was abated — — — — — — — — — — — — — — — —

Voted y^{t} if m^{r} Fowle receives any of theſe to acc^{tt} therefor

Hatfields of —	0 ″ 13 ″ 9 ″
Nath^{ll} Murrys	0 ″ 13 ″ 9 ″
Saml Stovers —	0 ″ 13 ″ 9 ″
Shuball Smiths —	0 ″ 13 ″ 9 ″
Dr Benjn Parkers —	0 ″ 3 ″ 8 ″
Daniel Parkers —	0 ″ 19 ″ 4 ″
John Strattons —	0 ″ 2 ″ 7 ″

10 Article being Read. Voted to Chooſe a Committee to petition to the Court of General ſeſsions of the Peace that a Work-houſe may be Erected for the uſe of the County of Middleſex &c ——

Choſe for Said Committee ——— Jon^{a}: Brown Esqr: William Hunt Esqr Mr Amos Bond

11 Article Voted to Sell the old Paper money now in the Town Treaſury

Voted & Choſe as a Committee for that purpoſe the Present Selectmen and Town Treaſurer ————

11 Article Read and after Debate thereon the Matter Dropt —— and the Meeting was Deſolved ————————

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The Report of a Committee Appointed by the Town to Sell or leaſe out Lands belonging to the Town ————

The Com^{tte}- aforeSaid Sold a Peice of Land to m^{r} Richardſon (Bounded Westerly on his homeſtead and on every other point on the highways for twelve Pounds. which he hath paid to the treaſurer, They also Sold a peice of Land to m^{r} Wm Stone containing a few Rods for which he hath given his note to the Town Treaſurer for twenty Shillings S^{d}: Committee also lett the Island below the Corn Mill To Mr Faulkner for twenty Shillings a year for three years (which Leaſe is now Expired) for which Mr Faulkner hath lately given his note of hand to the Treaſurer.

Watertown April: 3^{d}: 1786.

Saml Fisk
Saml White
David Sanger
David Bemis
Richard Clark
} Com^{ttee} ———

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the third Day of April AD: 1786. They Agreed with the Several Perſons afternamed to take

care of and Board the following perſons being the poor of the town from this time to next march Meeting at the following Rates (Viz) ———

William Godding to Board Ruth Maddox		at	3/11	P	week
Joseph Bright	Mary Learned - - -	at - -	2/5	P^{r}	d^{o}
Thomas Clark	Benjamin Whitney	at - -	3/6	P^{r}	d^{o}
Daniel Barned	Wid^{o} Deli^{ce} Whitney	at - -	5/6	P	d^{o}
Jedidiah Learned	Abigail Hay	at - -	8/	P^{r}	d
Josiah Mixer	Mary Boyington & Child	at - -	3/1	P^{r}	d^{o}

1786 April ye 7. John Remington gave a Notification in Writting that he had received into his Family one Elijah Graves a poor perſon last from needham who came to live with him ye 20th- Day of March last ———

1786 April ye 24th- This being the year for perambulating lines & renewing bounds betwixt town the Selectmen Agreed to proceed on the buſineſs on Thursday the 11th- Day of may Next to begin with Cambridge at the River at 7. OClock in the morning & with Waltham at the Rocks at 11 in the forenoon & with Newton at 4 O Clock below the Diſtell Houſe in the afternoon & Directed the Clerk to Notify the Selectmen of the Several Towns thereof

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 24th. Day of April AD. 1786 at m^{r}: Samuel Wellingtons they Agreed to have a Town Meeting on the Eighth Day of May Next at two O Clock in the afternoon at the meeting Houſe for the Choice of a perſon to Represent the town in the General Court the enſueing year. — They also Agreed to have an other Town Meeting of the Quallified Voters to Vote in town affairs to be held the Same Day at the Same Place at three O Clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles (Viz) First to Chooſe a Moderator of the Meeting ———

(2^{ly}) To hear the reports of any Committees and to act thereon as they see fitt —

(3^{ly}) To abate any perticular Perſons Rates that they think Proper ——

(4^{ly}) To know the minds of the town whether they will grant any further Sum of money for the towns School; and reconſider their Vote at march meeting respecting the town School being a Moveing School and act thereon as they Judge best. ————

(5ly) To See if the town will Adopt any further Meaſures respecting Watertown Bridge over Charles-River relating to the lottery, and act any thing on the affair they Judge Expedient. ————

(6ly) To know if the town will give their Representative any Inſtructions for the year enſueing and Act thereon. as they Judge best. ————

(7ly) To know if the town will give Directions to the Collectors not to Distrain upon the widow Barnard for tax's Said to be due in Halls lists and a new Committed to Daniel Mason, as She Suppoſes the Same has been Paid. and do thereon as they See proper. ————

(8ly) To know if the town will do any thing relating to the Outſtanding tax's Committed to Henry Bradſhaw, or any other Collectors tax's yet unſettled, and act thereon as they Judge most for the Interest of the town. ————

(9ly) To grant any further Sums of money to make up any Deficiencies or for any further or other Purpoſes if the town Judge it Neceſsary

(10ly) To Chooſe a Collector or Collectors to finiſh the Collecting Henry Bradſhaw's lists of Rates or any others if Need Shall be. ————

A Warrant was Issued out to the Constable Accordingly ——— By order of the Selectmen P Jona Brown Town-Clerk

At this Meeting the Selectmen Issued an Order on the Treaſurer to Pay mr Edmund Fowle £ 24 : 6 : 0 for Collecting tax's ——

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in the choice of a Representative Regularly Aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe on Monday the Eighth Day of May AD: 1786. — The Selectmen being Present. The Meeting being Opened the Votes were Called for & being brot: in counted & Sorted it Appeared that Jonathan Brown Esqr: was Choſen to Repreſent the town in the General Court the Year enſueing ————

And at a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled the Same day & at the Same Place to transact Sundry

affairs as Setforth in the Warrant for Calling the Meeting — They Voted & Chofe William Hunt Esqr: Moderator ——— Then the 2^{d}: Article in Warrant was Read. — The Committee Appointed to Settle an Account with m^{r} Samuel Cook, Reported that they Settled with him on the 10 Day of April 1780. and their Appeared to be due to him £ 134″ 8 : 0 in paper Equal to £ 1″ 15 : 10 hard money. which was Accepted. See the Report on file ————

Then the Committee Appointed to Consider of Proper Meafures for Widening the Road near (Treadways Bridge So Called) made Report of their doing on the affair which Was Voted & Accepted. see the Report on file ———

3^{d}: article Read and no abatements were asked and the matter Past over —

4th article Read Put to vote whether the Town will grant a further Sum to Support the Schools the Present year & it Past in the Negative ————

Then Voted to reconfider their Vote at March Meeting relating to a moveing School and that the Schools be keept in the Same way and Manner as they were the last year. ——

(5th) article being taken into Consideration and after Debate thereon they Voted that the time for Drawing the lottery Should be agreed upon at the adjournment of the meeting Provided Weston will Agree to Similar Meafures. ———

(6th) article was Read and the Town Voted to give their Reprefentative Some Inftructions for his Conduct relating to Some Publick Matters ———

Then they Voted to Choofe a Committee to Prepare Some Inftructions to be Laid before the town for Acceptance at the Adjournment of ye Meetng

Voted & Choofe for Said Committee { Capt Abner Craft
m^{r}: Saml White
Saml Fisk Esqr
Dr Marfhall Spring
m^{r} Rich^{d}: Clark
Mr Josiah Bisco
William Hunt Esqr

Then

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(7th) article Voted that M^{r}: Daniel Mason do not Call on the

wid° Barnard for the tax Committed to him taken from Mr Hall lists as it Appears to have been paid by m^r Halls order to Jonathan Myrick ————

(8th) article being Read they Voted to receive Henry Bradſhaws tax's & Committ them to m^r Richard Clark to Collect. —— m^r Clark was Excuſed from Collecting them

Then Voted that the aſseſsors add £ 40 pounds more to the Highway Tax to make the Road Wider at Treadways Bridge ——

Then Voted that any perſon that Chooſes to pay into the Hand of Such perſon as the town or Selectmen Shall Appoint and within the time Limitted for y^t purpoſe the Sum of 3/ Shilling it Shall be Accepted in leiu of a Days Labour at the Highways which money is to be Appropriated for the Widning treadways Bridge (So Called). ————

Then Voted and Adjourned the Meeting to the last monday in the Present month to meet at this Place at. 4. O Clock afternoon

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe in s^d: Town on Monday the 29th Day of may AD: 1786. ———— William Hunt Esqr: being Moderator. —

the Meeting being Opened they Proceeded on the 5th. article relating to the lottery for Widening the Bridge and after Some Debate thereon. They Voted to put off the further Consideration thereof till Sum futer time. ————

Then the Committe Appointed to Prepare Some Inſtructions to be given to the Repreſentative Made Report which being Read and after Debate thereon They Voted and Accepted ye Same with Some Small amendments ————

Then they Voted that the Same be taken into a fair draught. and be Signed by the Moderator and Delivered to the Representative

Then they voted that Jonathan Brown be added to the Committe appointed to Settle m^r Halls accounts as a Collector of tax's and that they Settle the acc^tt: ————

Then Mr Richard Clark Desired to be Excuſed from takeing Mr Henry Bradſhaws lists of tax's, and the town by a Vote Excuſed him therefrom

Then m^r Jedidah Leathe agreed to take and finiſh the Collection for 4/^s Shillings on the pound for the whole Sum he could Collect, which was agreed to he giveing Bond as other Constables & Collectors do. ————

Then they Voted and Choſe m^r Jedidiah Leathe a Collector of

that tax & that only. and he was Sworn emediately by William Hunt Justice ye peace
Then the meeting was adjourned to ye last monday in June next at 4 o Clock afternoon at this place ————

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At a Meeting of ye Selectmen at Maj^r: Mellens on the 29th- Day of may 1786 Mr Nathaniel Ruggles Sent in an account for Keeping School from Feby 27th 1786 to May ye 29th following and for Supplying the School with wood amounting in the whole to ye Sum of £ 16 ″ 10 ″ 8 which the Selectmen ———— ye Treafurer to pay ———
Nathl Ruggles Whitney Notified the Selectmen that on the 28th Day of April 1786. he received into his Family in Watertown on Sufanna Wendal who was Born at Chelmsford but last from Wesford or Boston. her Circumftances not mentioned.

See the notification on file —

> 1786. May ye 11th. Mefs^rs: Samuel White & Richard Clark Perambulated the lines and Renewed the Bound Marks between Watertown & Waltham with Such Gentlemen as were Appointed on the Part of Waltham —— see ye Report on file ————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 19th- Day of June 1786 at the Houfe of Major Thos: Mellens. They Signed an order on the Town-Treafurer to pay the Sum of Sixteen pounds ten fhilling and eight pence to m^r Nathl: Ruggles Whitney in full of his account for keeping School the year past —— also to pay Mr Samuel White one pound three fhillings and five pence in full of his Account for Cloathing for Mary Boyington
And to Pay the Sum of Six Pounds ninteen Shillings to Jedidiah Learned in full of his account for Boarding the widow Whitney and Abigail Hay to the fifth Day of June Inftant ————

At a Publick Town Meeting at the meeting Houfe in Watertown on Monday the Day of June AD 1786. by adjournment W^m- Hunt Esqr: being moderator the meeting was Opened. and then Adjourned to the Second monday in august next at 4 O: Clock afternoon. ————
1786 July ye 31 John Remington Esqr: gave in a notification that

he had received into his Family one Lucy Hager who came last from needham on the day aforeSaid. ————
1786. July ye 3^d Moſes Coollidge gave in a Notification that he had received into his Family oneAbijah Paine last from Sudbury on the 26th- Day of December last. ————

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the eighth Day of A^u gust: 1786. at Maj^r. Mellens They having rec^d a letter from one John Nutting Chairman of Some Com^tte. met Groton on ye 29 Day of June last desireing the Same might be laid before the town Therefore the Selectmen Directed the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant directed to ye Constable to warn the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs to meet at the Meeting Houſe in Said town on Monday the 14th- Inſtant at 5 O: Clock afternoon to take Said letter into Consideration and to act thereon as they think best. a Warrant was Issued accordingly. and the Inhabitants aſsembled at Said time and Place. —— and Choſe W^m- Hunt Esqr. Moderator. who read Said Letter and after considering the Contents it was was Voted not to act any thing thereon. ———— the Meeting was Deſolved. ———

Great Bridge Lottery

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown met at the Meeting Houſe on monday the 14th- Day of Aug^t: 1786 according to Adjournment. William Hunt Esqr: being Moderator —— The meeting was Opened and the (5th) article in the Warrant read Relating to the lottery and after Debate thereon, and hearing ye purpoſals of Some Perſons Read relating to the repairing the Bridge &c. it was moved that a Committee of five Perſons might be appointed to Confur with the other towns concerned in the Support of the Bridge and See what they will do relating to the aforesaid purpoſals or in any other way to accompliſh the Widening & repairing the Bridge. Wherefore they

Voted & Choſe the the perſons herenamed for Said Com^tte (Viz)
Who are to make report at the Adjour^t of ye meeting

M^r: Saml White
Jon^a Brown Esqr
Mr David Sanger
Mr Amos Livermore
Mr David Bemis

Then the meeting was adjourned to the Second monday in September Next at three O Clock in the afternoon at this place. ———

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Mr: Edward Richardſon on Fryday the first Day of Sepr: AD. 1786. They Approved of the Perſons afternamed renewing their licences as they were before —— (Viz)

Retailors	Innholders
John Fowles	Edwd: Richardſon
Daniel Jackson	Thos Mellens
John George	Dorothy Coollidge
Fransſ: Faulkner	Samuel Wellintgon
Tim: Williams	
David Bemis	
Jedidiah Leathe	

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At a Publick Town Meeting held at the meeting on monday the 11th Day of Sepr 1786. the town not being ready to Proceed to the buſineſs they further adjourned to the Second monday of Octr: Next at 3.O Clock afternoon at this Place ———

At a meeting of the Selectmen on the 28th- Day of Sepr: 1786. They Stated the aſsize of Bread as follows (Viz) — B ″ oz ″ dr.

	B ″	oz ″	dr.
A 4d white loaf of Bread must weigh - - - - -	1 ″	8 ″	11
A 4d loaf white Brick Bread — — — — — — —	1 ″	6 ″	11
A Biskets of three Coppers Price — — — — —	0 ″	12 ″	6
A Bisket of one Copper Price — — — — — —	0 ″	4 ″	2
A 4d loaf of brown Bread ¾ Wheat & ¼ Indian	3 ″	0 ″	0
A 4d loaf of not above half Indian — — — —	4 ″	0 ″	0

At a Publick Town Meeting held at the Meeting Houſe on Monday the ninth Day of Octr: 1786 by Adjournment. Wm- Hunt Esqr the moderator being abſent. mr: David Sanger was Choſen Moderator in his room — Then the article relating to ye lottery was taken into Conſideration and the the Committee Appointed to Confer with the Committees of Weston, & Waltham & endavor to obtain a true State of the tickets that were Sold informed that they had not obtained a Real State thereof. and after Debate thereon they Voted that the Managers of the lottery be desired to Collect all

the tickets that are not Sold & the money for Such as are Sold within three weeks from this time & Inform the perſons that Purpoſe to undertake the repairs of the Bridge how the matter is So that it may be laid before the town at the Adjournment. Then the meeting was adjourned to monday the thirtieth day of this Present month two O Clock afternoon at this Place.
at the time above mentioned no perſons appearing the Meeting Dropt ————
At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Thursday ye 23^d Day of Nov^r: 1786 at Major Mellens the Selectmen Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay the following Sums (Viz)

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To Ebenezer Stetſon on Caleb Bloods order ——
£ 2″ 7″ 8
To Josiah Norcroſs on Said Bloods order - 2″ 4″ 0
and to Richard Everit on a like order — 1″ 10″ 10
it being each of their Miniſterial tax's for the years 1783-1784. & 1785 -

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the fifth Day of December AD. 1786. at Samuel Wellingtons. They Directed the Clerk to Issue out a Warrant to the Constable to warn the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown to meet at the Meeting Houſe on Monday the Eighteenth Inſtant at one O Clock afternoon for the following purpoſes (Viz). first to Chooſe a moderator of the Meeting (2^ly) To know the minde of the town whether they will Sell their right in the Estate that was the Property of Josiah Goddard Deceaſt. and to act thereon as they Judge best. ———
(3^ly) To hear the Addreſs of the General Court with the Statement of the Publick Accounts therein Mentioned &c ————
(4^ly) To hear the Report of the Committee appointed to meet with the Committees of other towns to Consider what is best for the town to do relating to the lottery and to act thereon what they think Proper ————
a Warrant was Issued accordingly Pr Jon^a: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the meeting Houſe on Monday the 18th Day of December 1786. ————
M^r: Samuel White was Choſen Moderator of the Meeting. ——
(2^ly) Voted to Sell the land the. town Purchaſed of Josiah

Goddard & that a Committee be appointed for that Purpoſe and that Doctr Marſhall Spring, Mr: David Bemis, & Mr: Samuel White be a Committee for that Purpoſe. ———

(3ly) Voted to Poſtpone the reading the Addreſs &c to the adjournment of the meeting at the Houſe of Major Mellen at Six of the Clock this evening ———

(4ly) Voted to Chooſe a Committee to Conſult with the towns of Weston, & Waltham Reſpecting the lottery and that the Committee Conſiſt of Seven Perſons

Voted for said Committee ——— Mr: David Bemis
Colo: Chisr Grant Jur
Capt. John Fowle
Capt. John George
Mr Saml. White
Mr Daniel Maſon
Wm- Hunt Esqr:

Voted the above Committee to be Vested with Power in behalf of the town to Contract for the widening the Bridge and Pay therefor by the lottery or for the towns of Weston & Watertown to Proceed to aſsiſt the managers in the Sale of the tickets & Proceed to the Drawing the lottery as Soon as may be, or otherwiſe to agree upon a Petition to the General Court for a reCalling the tickets Sold & that the lottery be given up. ———

Then the Meeting adjourned to half after five O Clock at Major Mellens Innholder in Watertown ———

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at Major Thomas Mellens on monday the 15th- day of January 1787. they let the hay Scale to mr: Jedidiah Leath for one year from the tenth day of this preſent. for which Mr Leathe is to pay Four pounds two ſhillings in the following Manner (Viz) one half in Six months and the other half at the end of the year. and to keep the Irons all in good repair.

At a meeting of the Selectmen on the 26th- Day of Feby: 1787. at mr Samuel Wellingtons They Directed the Clerk to Issue a Warrant. Directing the Constable to Warn the Inhabitants of town who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs to meet at the meeting Houſe on monday the 19th Day of march Next to act on the following articles (Viz) First to Chooſe a Moderator of

ye meeting (2) To Chooſe Selectmen Town-Clerk treaſurer and all other town officers who are required by law to be Choſe in the month of march or April annually. (3) To Chooſe a Saxton and agree how he Shall be paid for his Service (4) To Determin Whether Swine Shall run at large the enſueing year. (5) To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer (6) To agree what Schools Shall be kept ye preſent year and grant money to Support the Same & do any thing relating thereto that may be tho^t: Proper. (7) To grant money to Support the Poor. (8) To Grant money to repair the High-ways and do any thing relating thereto they Judge best. (9) to Chooſe a Committee to Examin the Treaſurers Accounts. (10) To hear the accounts of thoſe perſons the town is Indebted to and grant money to pay the Same (11) To grant money to pay the Perſons which the town is indebted to or Provide for the Same Some other way as may be tho^t: best. (12) To hear the reports of any Committees that have been appointed for Perticular Services. and act thereon as they See fitt. (13) To Appoint a Committee to Settle account with Mr Jonathan Livermore or any Collectors or other perſons as may be tho^t: Neceſsary. (14) To abate any perticular perſons Rates as they See proper. and to notify the town Creditors to bring in their accounts to the Selectmen at m^r Samuel Wellingtons on Fryday the 16th- Day of march next at three O Clock afternoon. A Warrant was Issued Accordingly

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at this meeting Mr Nathaniel Ruggles Whitney bro^t: in his account for Keeping School &c the present year Amounting to the Sum of 33 : 6 : 8 —
and Mr Nathaniel Lawrance for like Service — — 30 : 0 : 0 —
The Selectmen Signed an Order on the Treaſurer to Pay Said Sums
they also Signed an Order to Pay m^r: Samuel White £ 5 : 19 : 2 :3 for one years Intereſt on his Note — — — — — — — — — — —
At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 7th Day of march AD 1787.
They ordered a Warrant to be Issued Directed to the Constable to warn all the Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified according to Constitution to Vote for Governor L^t: Governour & Senators to meet at the meeting Houſe on monday the Second Day of April next at two of the Clock in the afternoon to give in their Votes

for a Governor, L^{t}: Governor, and five Senetors. ———
a Warrant was Issued accordingly Dated the Eighth Day of March AD 1787. and Signed by Order of ye Selectmen Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston, & Waltham on the 25th- Day of Feby. 1787. at m^{r} Benjamin Birds in Waltham they Adjusted the Charge that has Arifen for the repairs of the Great Bridge over Charles River in in Watertown Since the last adjustment which was on the 6. Day of February 1786. The whole Charge being £ 16 ″ 1 ″ 2 of which Sum ———

Watertouns part	is	5 ″ 15 : 2
Westons d°	is — —	4 ″ 18 : 0
Walthams d°	is —	5 ″ 8 : 0
		£ 16″ 1 : 2

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of m^{r} Saml Wellington on Fryday the 16th- Day of march 1787. to receive the accounts of Such Perfons as the town is indebted to, the following accounts were bro^{t}: in for allowance (Viz) Nathl: Sherman for keeping School the year past and Boarding &c — 33 : 7 : 0
William Stone for Boarding Mary Learned to ye 10th of april last 0″ 8 : 0
Thomas Clark for d° for Benjamin Whitney to ye 4 of april next 9″ 2 : 0
Phinehas Stearnes for Shoes for Mary Boyington 0″ 6 : 0
Jonas White ju^{rs} acc^{tt}: for Supplys for Jedidiah White &c. — — — — — — — — — — — — 3″ 2 : 5
Phinehas Jenifons account for a Grave- &c for Eliz^{a}- Warren — — — — — — — — — — — — 0″ 9 : 0
Eunice Coollidges account for Boarding Ruth Maddox — — — — — — — — — — — — — — 0″18 : 0
Mary Vila for boarding Benjamin Whitney — 1″ 1″ 5
William Goding for boarding Ruth Maddox to ye 12 of march Infant — — — — — — — — — — — 9 : 11 : 11
William Learned for boarding his mother to this day 1 : 9 : 0
Jofhua Coollidge for Cloathing for Ruth Maddox 0 : 9″10
Josiah Mixer for boarding Mary Boyington — — 8 : 7 : 3
Saml Soden for John White to the 21 of march Infant 1″10 : 4
Saml Soden for Supplys for the Poor as P^{r} account 0 : 19 : 11

Sam[l] White for d° as P[r] account - - - - - - - - -	1″ 0″ 4
Jedidiah Learned for boarding Abigail Hay &c —	16″ 15″ 0
Thomas Pattin for Supplys for the Poor &c as P[r] account — — — — — — — — — — — — — —	2″ 13″ 4
Abigail Goddard account allowed — — — — — —	1″ 5″ 5
John Stearnes for Boarding Abigail Ball one year to the eighth Day of the prefent month (Waltham to pay their part of the Sum —	15 : 12 : 0
Mofes Coollidge for Wood for the School — —	3 : 6 : 6
	£ 111 : 14 : 8

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 26th Day of march AD 1787. they Signed an order on the treafurer to Pay all the above Sums

1787: April y[e] 12 m[r] Jonas Barnard bro[t]: in an Account for Boarding the Wid° Deliv. Whitney 52 weeks at 5/6 & Clothing y[e] whole being £ 14 : 7 : 6

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly afsembled at the Meeting Houfe on monday the 19th Day of march AD: 1787. for the Choice of town officers &c as mentioned in the Warrant for Calling the meeting. ————————

Voted & Chofe William Hunt Esq[r]: Moderator of the Meeting. —

Then Voted and Chofe the following Perfons to Serve in the offices after Mentioned

Jonathan Brown Esq[r]. Town-Clerk. was Sworn emediately P[r]: Just[s]: W[m] Hunt —

Town-Treafurer Jonathan Brown Esq[r]:

For Selectmen { m[r] Richard Clark, m[r] David Sanger, M[r] Amos Livermore, M[r] Thomas Pattin, M[r] Josiah Bisco } afsefsors — { M[r] Josiah Bisco, Cap[t]: Amos Bond, M[r]: Daniel Mafon }

Wardens L[t]. Nath[l]: Bemis, Cap[t]: Eben[r] Kent.

Fence Viewers Mefs[rs] Samuel Wellington, Henry Farrington.

Sealers of Leather Mefs[rs] Mofes Warren, Elijah Mead.

Tythingman L[t]: John Meacham Francis Faulkner. ———

Surveyors Highways. Mefs^{rs} Mofes Coollidge, Josiah Mixer Jon^{a} Harrington and William Hunt Esqr:
Surveyors of Timber &c M^{r}. David Sanger Capt: Thomas Vofe Howards Mefs^{rs} Caleb Cook Thomas Clark ———
Hogrieves Mefs^{rs}: Jonathan Stone, Jonas Bond ju^{r}: & Andrew Blackman —
Clerks of the Markets Capt: John Fowle & Capt Ebenezer Kent
Meafurer of Wood &c Capt: John George. ————
Cullar of Hoops Staves &c M^{r}: Jeremiah Bridge Capt: Daniel Jackson —
Saxton Phinehas Jenifon, Voted that the Selectmen agree what he Shall have for his Service The Votes for a County Treafurer were for Eben^{r} Bridge 32
Voted that Swine Shallnot go at large the enfueing year ———
Voted that the Schools be kept as they were last last year.
Then voted and granted £ 100 pounds to Support the Same ——
Voted and Granted ye sum of 120 pounds to Support the Poor —
Voted that each Poll be taxed at half a Days labour at Highways and the Estates in the Same Proportion. ————
Voted that labour for a man be Six fhillings p^{r} Day and a good team the like Sum ————

Voted & Chofe as a Committee to Examin ye Treaf^{rs} acc^{tts} { William Hunt Esqr / Capt: Amos Bond / Mr Amos Livermore

Then Voted to Choofe a Com^{tte}- to endeavor to afcertain what the town is Indebt and Report at may meeting.

Chofe for s^{d} Committee { Capt John Fowles / Capt Thos Vofe / m^{r} Josiah Bisco

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Then voted to Choofe a Committee to Settle with m^{r} Jon^{a}: Livermore and others late Collectors of tax's &c ————

Voted and Chofe for Said Committee - - - - { Mr David Sanger / Mr Samuel White / William Hunt Esqr.

Then they voted to Choofe a Committee to look after the towns land and to Sell or leafe the Same as may appear best for the Town ———
Their Power & Infructions the Same as the former Com^{tte} ——

Voted and Chofe for Said Committee { M^{r}: David Sanger / Mr Richard Clark / Mr Daniel Mafon

Voted that they make report of their doings at next may meeting

Voted to Pay the Soldiers that went with Gen[l] Lincoln to Berkſhire County &c agreable to the Contract made by the Selectmen, and that a Sum Sufficient to Pay the Charge thereof be emediately aſseſt ———
Voted and accepted the Committees Report in the Treaſurers acc[tts] & that it be recorded
abated in Daniel Maſons lists John Gipsons James S[h]ermans & Mathew Peirces tax's £ 1 ″ 10 ″ 3
Then the Meeting was adjourned to the first monday in April at 4 O'Clock in the Afternoon to meet at this place ————

At a meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Major Thomas Mellens on monday the 26th Day of March 1787. the following Perſons took the oath of allegiance preſcribed in the Constitution and Subscribend the Same agreable to a Reſolve of the General Court - (Viz)
The Several perſons afternamed took the oaths required by law Quallify them to Serve in the Several offices aftermentioned (Viz)

Selectmen	Richard Clark David Sanger Amos Livermore Thomas Pattin Josiah Bisco	Fence Viewers	Sam[l] Wellington Henry Farrington
		Sealer of Leather	Elijah Mead —
		Surveyor Highways	Moſes Coollidge Josiah Mixer Jon[a] Harrington
Hogrieves	Jon[a]: Stone Jonas Bond ju[r] And[w] Blackman	Surveyors of timber	David Sanger Thomas Voſe
Cullar of Hoops &c	Jeremiah Bridge Howard		
		Clerks of y[e] markets	Thomas Clark John Fowle Eben[r] Kent

The above named Perſons were Sworn by Jon[a]; Brown Just[s] Peace

at the meeting of the Selectmen aboveSaid an order Signed to pay m[r] Eliots laſt years Sallary and m[r] Jeniſons as Saxton

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified according to the Conſtitution to Vote

in the Choice of Governor, L^{t}: Governor & Senators being duly warned & Regularly Aſsembled at the Publick meeting in Said Town on Monday the Second Day of April AD. 1787.
The Selectmen did Preſide. The meeting being Opened and the Vote Called for. for a Governor being bro^{t}: in Counted & Sorted it appeared that the following Perſons had the number Set against their names (Viz) ————————
His Excellency James Bowdoin Esqr: had Six Votes &
The Hon^{l}: John Hancock Esqr: had one hundred and fifteen Votes

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Then the Votes were Called for, for a L^{t}. Governor, & being bro^{t}. in Counted & Sorted it appeared that the following Perſons had the number Set against each of their names (Viz) —

The Hon^{l}: Samuel Adams Esqr: had ——— 4
Hon^{l} Benjamin Lincoln Esqr had ——— 31
Hon^{l} Nathl Gorham Esqr- had ——— 60
Hon^{l} William Heath Esqr- had ——— 25

Then the Votes were Called for, for five Senators being bro^{t} in Counted & Sorted it appeared that the following Perſons afternamed had the Number Set against each of their Names (Viz)

Stephen Dana Esqr ——	100	Hon^{l} Nathl: Gorham Esqr	10
Thomas Fayrweather Esqr- ———	45	Joſeph B: Varnum Esqr:	34
Ezra Sergant Esqr ——	14	John Brooks Esqr	17
m^{r}. Isaac Stearnes ——	76	Andrew Newhall Esqr —	15
Hon^{l}: Ebenezer Bridge Esqr ————	24	Hon^{l} Eleazer Brooks Esqr	14
Hon^{l} Joseph Hoſmer Esqr	2	Capt: Walter McFarland	81
		Dr Marſhall Spring ——	87

At a Publick Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in town affairs held at the meeting Houſe by adjournment on monday the Second Day of April 1787: William Hunt Esqr: being moderator — the meeting being opened —
The Town by a Vote Excuſed Capt: Eben^{r}: Kent from Serving as a Warden & Choſe Mr John Chenery Warden in his Room. then Excuſed L^{t}. Nathl Bemis & Choſe m^{r} Jon^{a}. Coollidge Goding in his Room ————————
Then Voted to Farm out the Collection of Tax's at Publick Auction to the lowest bider — Then Voted & agreed with m^{r}

Jonathan Stone for the East Deſtrict of State tax's for 5¾ P C: and with m^r Richard Clark for ye West Deſtrict for 8 P^r C: and with him for the West Deſtrict of the town & County tax's for 5. P C^t: and with m^r Saml Soden for the East Deſtrict of Town & County tax's for 4 Pr Cent.
Then Voted & Choſe meſs^rs Jonathan Stone & Richard Clark Constables m^r Samuel Soden Collector —— Then Voted to Adjourn the meeting the first monday in may Next at 4 O Clock afternoon at this place

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Middleſex ſs April the Second 1787. Jonathan Brown Esqr was Sworn into the office of Town-Treaſurer and Capt: Amos Bond into the office of Aſseſsor and both took and Subſcribed the Oath of Allegiance agreable to the order of the General Court. & Rich^d: Clark as Constable

Before William Hunt Just^s Peace ——

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the Second Day of April 1787. at the Houſe of Major Thomas Mellens. ————
They Put out the Several Poor Perſons Supported by the town in the following manner (Viz) ————
Ruth Maddox to Joseph Coollidge for 4/ P^r week
Mary Learned to Jedidiah Learned for 3/7 p^r d^o
Benjamin Whitney to Thomas Clark for ¾ p^r d^o
Widow Deliverance Whitney to William Stone for 3/11 p^r d^o
Abigail Hay to Jedidiah White for 6/7 P^r d^o ————
They to Board them for one year if they live So long begining the 4th: Day of this Inſtant month of April ————

Middleſex ſs April ye 9th. 1787: M^r: Samuel Soden was Sworn into the office of Collector of tax's who also with Mr Daniel Mason who is an Aſseſsor took the Oath of Allegiance & Subscribe ye Same agreable to the order of the General Court to Quallify them to Serve in the offices aforementioned ———

Before Jon^a; Brown Just^s: Peace

Middleſex ſs April: 2^d — 1787 m^r Jonathan Stone was Sworn into the office of Constable & took the oath of alleiance & Subſcribed ye Same

Before Jon^a; Brown Just^s Peace

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 24 Day of April AD 1787. They Agreed to have a Town Meeting on the 7 Day of may Next to Choofe a Perfon to Reprefent the town in the General Court the enfueing year the meeting to be at one O:Clock afternoon at the meeting Houfe. They also Agreed to have an other meeting the Same day at the Same place at two O Clock afternoon to Act on the following articles (Viz). First to Choofe a Moderator of the meeting ———

2ly To know the minde of the town whether they will give the first Detachment of Soldiers who Went into the Service of the State in Capt Bonds Company the Sum of eighteen fhillings each as a bounty which Sum the Selectmen have paid to them. Provided they will take the States pay for their wages. ——

(3ly) To know the mind of the town what they will do further Refpecting the lottery and act any thing relating thereto they may think Proper. ——

(4ly) —

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(4ly) To know the mind of the town whether they will give their Reprefentative any Inftructions and act any thing thereon they think proper ————

(5ly) To know the mind of the town whether they will reconfider a former vote of the Town. Relating to Biscos. Spring (so Calld.) and if they think best. Direct their Committee to make Sale of any part of the land that lies Common which may be Sold without Damage to the Watering Place.

(6ly) To know the mind of the town whether they will grant a Sum of money to be apply'd towards Erecting a Gun Houfe for the Convenience of the Artilery Company in Watertown

(7) To hear the reports of any Committees and act any thing Relating thereto the Town may think proper. ————

Warrants were Issued to the Constables Directing them to Warn the Inhabitants of the town Quallified to Vote to meet at the place and times aforementioned agreabled to the order of the Selectmen. ————

Jona; Brown Town-Clerk

At a Publick Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Reprefentative on monday ye 7th. Day of May AD: 1787. at the Meeting Houfe in Said town the Selectmen being Prefent. the Votes were Called for

bro^{t}: in Counted and Sorted and it Appeared that D^{r}. Marſhall Spring was Choſen to Serve the town the year enſueing in the General Court ————

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town Quallified to Vote in town affairs meet at the Place on the Day aforementioned accordng to Adjournment. William Hunt Esqr: being moderator, the meeting being opened. They Voted and Choſe m^{r}: Josiah Learned Tythingman in the room of L^{t}: Moſes Stone who is not held to Serve. ————
Then the Committee appointed to Aſcertain what the town is Indebt Informed that the Treaſurer not being Able to Settle with the Constables & Collectors they were not able a preſent to finiſh the Buſineſs aſsigned them —
then upon a motion made it was Voted that the Committee Appointed to Examin the Treaſurers Accounts be Joined to Said Committee as aforementioned. ————————

Then Adjourned the meeting with the remaining buſineſs to the last monday in this preſent month at this place at five O'Clock afternoon

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At a Publick Town meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Aſsembled at the meeting Houſe in Said Town on monday the Seventh Day of May AD. 1787 to transact Sundry town affairs as Setforth in the Warrant for Calling the meeting. ————————

Dr Marſhall Spring was Choſen Moderator of the Meeting ——
The 2^{d} article in the Warrant being read. They Voted & allow'd the eighteen ſhillings advanced to the Soldiers of the first Detachment that went out of Capt: Bonds Company as a bounty provided they Accept of the State pay in full of their wages. ——

(3^{d}) article relating to the lottery being Considered they Voted to Diſmiſs the Committee Appointed on the 18th- Day of December last past to aſsiſt the managers, &c ——— Then Voted to Reconſider all the Votes they had Paſt before Relating to the lottery. ————

(4th) Article read Voted to give Inſtructions to their Repreſentative for the enſueing year. Then Voted to Appoint a Committee of five perſons to Prepare Inſtructions to be laid before the town for their acceptance.

Chofe for Said Committee { Mr: Josiah Bisco
Majr Amos Bond
Mr Daniel Mafon
Mr David Sanger
Mr Laban Wheaton

(5th) article Relating to the Common Land at Biscos Spring (so Called) being Read, it was voted not to reconfider a former Vote relating thereto and So the matter Dropt ———

(6th) article Read relating to a Grant to help erect a Gun-Houfe & it was Put to Vote whether the town will grant the Sum or £ 7 pounds for sd Purpofe and it past in the Negative ———

Then the Committee Appointed to look after the Towns lands gave Some account of their proceedings and after Confideration thereon they Voted to add two more perfons to the Committee (Viz) —— { Mr Amos Livermore
Majr Amos Bond ———

Then Adjourned the meeting to the last monday in the prefent month five O Clock afternoon at this Place ———

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at mr: Samuel Wellingtons on monday ye 14 Day of may they Signed Indentures for binding Mary Boyingtons Child to Hugh Mafon untill it is Fourteen years of age. — and Signed an order on ye Teafurer to Pay Said Mafon twenty Six Pounds for his care & Expence in bringing it up to that age — and Said Mafon gave Bond for his faithfull Performance of the Service ———

At a Publick Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown held at the Meeting Houfe in Said town on Monday the 28th Day of may AD. 1787. that had been Continued by Several Adjournments from the 19th Day of march last Past. William Hunt Esqr: being Moderator ———

The meeting being Opened they Proceeded to act on the (10) article in the the Warrant for Calling the meeting, and the following accounts being Read Voted & Granted the Sums as hereafter mentioned to the Several Perfons afternamed. (Viz) —

To the Selectmen of the last year for Expences 6 : 7 : 6 : 2

To Benjamin Haſtings for making a Frame for the Bell &c —	5″ 8 : 6 —
To David Sanger for aſsiſtance about the Bell	0″ 10 : 0 —
To moſes Coollidge for hangings for the Bell &c	4 : 4 : 9 —
To Samuel Soden for aſsiſtance about the Bell & perambulating lines —	0 : 9 : 9 —
To William Hunt Esqr: for expences of a Com^{tte}- of the Court to View a Road &c —	0 : 6 : 0 —
To George Brown for repairing Armes &c	2 : 8 : 9 —
To Daniel Jackſon & Company for Sundry Articles Deliver'd p^{r} Selectmens order	2 : 2 : 11 —
To Josiah Bisco for Service as Aſseſsor the last year	5″ 0 : 0 —
To Amos Bond for d^{o}	2 : 0 : 0 —
To Daniel Maſon for d^{o}.	3 : 5″ 0 —
To Jonathan Brown for Serving Treaſurer last year	6″ 0 : 0 —
To Richard Clark for expences on the Courts Committee for Viewing a Road &	0 : 6 : 0 —
To d^{o}: allow'd on his account for Warning Sundry perſons	5 : 8 : 0 —

The following Sums were allow'd to the Several perſons afternamed being money advanced to the men that marched to the Wesward by order of Government (Viz) —

Voted that the Treaſurer give a Note in behalf of the town to David Sanger for what is due to him for repairs &c at treadways Bridge (So Called)

Voted that Such Perſons as are Indebted to the town by Bond or Note of Hand pay in the Same or Answer it to Such perſons as the town is indebted to as Soon as may be, or otherwiſe their obligations be Put in Suit. ——

To Saml White	0″ 12″ 0
To Saml Soden	0″ 12″ 0
To Rich^{d}: Clark	0″ 12″ 0
To Jon^{a}: Brown	0″ 15″ 0
To David Bemis	0″ 12″ 0
To William Hunt	0″ 12″ 0
To Caleb Cook	0″ 6″ 0
To Phinehas Stearnes	0″ 6″ 0
To Simon Whitney	0″ 6″ 0
To Laben Wheaton	0″ 6″ 0
To Thomas Mellen	0″ 14″ 2
To John Fowles	0″ 12″ 0
To Timothy Williams	1″ 0″ 0
To David Sanger	0″ 12″ 0

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The Sums bro^{t}: over amounting to £ 51 : 1 : 4 : 2
were Granted and allowed to be aſseſt

Then m^r Richard Clark Informed he had one account against the town which was miſs laid & it was Voted that the Selectmen Conſider that & allow what appears right —— Then the meeting was Deſolved ————

At a Publick Town meeting held by adjournment from the 7th- Day of may 1787. to the 28th- Day of the Same month Dr Marſhall Spring moderator

The Meeting being Opened. The Committee Appointed to Prepare Inſtructions for the Repreſentative laid a Draught of of Som on the table which was Read. and after Debate. They voted to accept of the Same; and Voted that the Town-Clerk Sign the Same in the Name & by order of the the town —

Then the meeting was Deſolved ——

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 4th- Day of may AD. 1787. at m^r: Samuel Wellingtons. They Agreed to have a Meeting of the Selectmen of the three towns concerned in the Support of the Great Bridge in Watertown to be at Mrs Coollidges on monday the 11th- Inſtant at 3 O Clock in the afternoon to view the Bridge and adjust Accounts & . and also to Settle accounts between Waltham & Watertown & Directed the Clerk to Notify the Selectmen thereof. —— at this meeting the Selectmen examined Mr Richard Clarks Account relating to the Bell and allow'd ye same being £ 2 ″ 5 ″ 11 ——

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown & Waltham at the Houſe of M^rs: Dorothy Coollidge Innholder in Watertown on the Eleventh Day of June AD: 1787. They Settled the Charge of the Support of Abigail Ball that has Ariſen Since the last adjustment which was on the 6th- Day of Feb^y: 1786 to the 13th- Day of this Present month of June the whole amounting to £ 19 : 16 : 0 of which Watertowns part is the Sum of £ 10 : 4 : 1 : 3

Walthams d^o is	9 ″	11 ″	10 ″ 1
	£ 19 ″	16 ″	0 ″ 0

See the Settlement at large in the Records of ye Treaſ^y - Book y^e (6) Fol - (380) —— of Waltham

And it was Agreed that the Selectmen Should take and keep Said Abigail till further orders for 4/4^d Pr Week ————

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At a meeting of the Selectmen on the 12th Day of July. 1787. at Maj^r: Mellens's they ordered the Town-Clerk to Notify M^r.

John Cook in Writting to repair the Bridge over his Wast-water in the Country Road Near the old mill Dam as Soon as may be So as to make it Saft Paſsing with teams &c: that way

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 20th Day of August AD 1787. at the Houſe of Major Thomas Mellens. They having received a letter from mrs: Lydia Spring Requesting Some help for herſelf and two Children & desireing Some answer as Soon as they could they Directed the Clerk to write an answer to Said letter and let her know that they had the matter under Consideration & that She might Expect to know Somthing further about the matter Soon —

And Mr: Samuel Benjamin Applyed to the Selectmen to take care of his Siſter Wilson who came to his Houſe Some time in the month of last Past who came last from Cambridge, and is Suppoſed to belong to either the town of Danvers in the County of Eſſex or to Providence in the State of Road Island, and it was agreed to enquire where She belonged and let mr Benjamin know their Determination as Soon as may be.

at this meeting Mr: John Cooke gave in a Notification in Writing that he had received into his Houſe on Nabby Fisher who came last from Newton on the Eighth Day of may last. And also on the 20th. Day of July he had Taken in one Allen Leach who came last from Boston on the Day afore Said and Said lately from Great-Britain. ———

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 27th- Day of August AD 1787. at the Houſe of mr Edward Richardſon They Agreed with mr: Josiah Learned to take and Board the Widow Hannah Learned for which he is to receive 5/ Pr Week and they gave him an order in Writting to remove her with what things belonged to her from William Learneds to his houſe.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the third Day of Sepr: AD 1787. at mrs Coollidges. They Agreed to have a Publick Town Meeting on Fryday. the eighth day of this Inſtant month at the Meeting Houſe at 2 O Clock afternoon for the following Purpoſes (Viz) first to Chooſe a Moderator. ——— 2d To grant money to repair the Great Bridge ——— (3) To Conſider what Meaſures are Proper to be taken to repair or Rebuild the Bridge over mr John Cooks Wast-water. and Act any thing thereon as the Town Judge Best ———

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4th: To hear the reports of any Committees and Act thereon as they See fit —— 5th- To make Such further grants of money as may be thought Necefsary for Defending any Necefsary Action Depending in the Law. and do any thing thereon they Judge Proper. —— (6) To make further grants for the Discharging the debts which are Called for, and for makeing good the Deficiencies in the Publick tax's (7) To know the minde of the town whether they will make any Provifion towards Accommodating the General Court with Buildings if they Should Agree to hold their Sefsions in this Town in future or do any thing relating thereto they may think Proper. ————

They Directed the Clerk to Issue Warrants to the Several Constables directing them to Warn the Inhabitants Quallified to Vote in town affairs to meet at Sd: time and place for Said Purpofes. Which was don the Same day and Signed by Order of the Selectmen ———

Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Publick Town Meeting held at the Meeting Houfe on Fryday the. 7th. day of September AD. 1787. to act on Sundry affairs as Mentioned in the Warrant for Calling the meeting. — First Voted and Chofe William Hunt Esqr: Moderator ——— 2d article Voted and Granted £ 6 pounds to Repair the Great Bridge

3d article Relating to John Cooks Wast-Bridge put over to the adjournment

4th. article Put over to ye adjournment

5th Article Read and Debated and Voted that the Town-Treafurer give a note or notes of hand in the Name and behalf of the Town to Ezekiel Hall or order for the Sum Mentioned in the Selectmens order of the 17th. of July. 1786. Payable as Soon as Conveniently may be with Interest from this day ——

Voted and granted for that Purpofe the Sum of £ 28 : 2 : 0 ——

Voted & Granted £ 20 pounds to Pay the Interest that is due to perfons from ye Town —

Voted also that the Treafurer give a Note to Marcy Learned in lieu of an order. to be on Interest till paid ———

on the Seventh Article Relating to accommodateing the General Court &c

Voted to Choofe a Committee to Consider thereof and Report what is proper to be don thereon at the adjournment. ————

Voted & Chofe for Said Committee { M^{r}: David Sanger
Dr Marfhall Spring
William Hunt Esqr
Maj^{r}. Amos Bond
Mr Edmund Fowle }

Then Voted that the Treafurer Send his Executions out against all Collectors that have been Deficient more than 18 months, after two months from this day. ———

Then the Meeting was Adjourned to the last monday in this month at 3 O Clock afternoon ———

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At a meeting of the Selectmen on Fryday the 7th- day of Sep^{r}: 1787 at the Houfe of Maj^{r}: Thomas Mellens. m^{rs}: Lydia Spring the wife of Samuel Spring haveing Apply'd for Some Afsiftance The Selectmen Agreed to allow her 3/ p^{r} week for the Present. — at this meeting they let the Wharf in Cambridge that belongs to Watertown to Capt: Moses Coollidge till the first day of April Next for 15/6 for which he gave his Note to the Treafurer Payable on Said first day of April ———

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 10th- Day of September AD. 1787. at Major Thomas Mellens's They Approbated the following Perfons for renewing their licences as they were the last year. (Viz) —

Retailors	Tavern-keepers
Mefs^{r} John Fowle	Samuel Wellington
Daniel Jackson	Mr Edward Richardfon
John George	Maj^{r}.- Thomas Mellens
Eben^{r} Kent	M^{rs}- Dorothy Coollidge —
Timothy Williams	
Jedidiah Leathe	
Francis Faulkner	
Fitch Hall	

At a Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly Afsembled at the Meeting Houfe on Monday the 24th. Day of may 1787. By Adjournment. William Hunt Esqr. was moderator but being abfent the Town Voted and Chofe Major Amos Bond moderator in m^{r} Hunts Room

The 3^{d} article in the Warrant relating to the Bridge over m^{r}. John Cooks Wast was Read. after debate thereon. —— They Voted to Choofe a Committee of three perfons, to View the Same and

Rebuild the Bridge with the advice of the Surveyor as Soon as Conveniently may be —

Voted & Chofe for Said Committee — { Mr David Sanger
Mr Richard Clark —
Mr Amos Livermore }

Voted that the Committee have power to Defray the Expence of Building Said Bridge out of the old outftanding tax's by the labour &c of Such perfons as are unable to pay their tax's in money, or otherwife a Sufficient Sum be afsest for that Purpofe. and that the Service be performed on as an eafie termes as may be ———

Then Voted that the Selectmen enquire into the affair of mr John Cooks being held to Support Said Bridge, and take Such meafures as they Judge Necefsary agreable to law to oblidge him thereto —

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(7th) article Read relating to Accommodating the General Court if they See fit to Sit in this Town to transact the affairs of the Government was Read and the Committee appointed to confider the Same laid a Report on the table which was read and Accepted as on file. ————

Then one of the Committee that were Appointed at a former meeting to audit the Accounts between the town and Perticular perfons. Informed the Town yt Dificulties lay in the way So that they had not Proceeded on the affair, which being Considered it was moved & Voted that Said Committee be Difmift and a new one be Chofen for that Purpofe and that they be allowed reafonable pay for their Service. ————

Voted and Chofe for Said Committee — { Mr: Samuel White
Mr Josiah Bisco
Jona: Brown Esqr: }

Voted that they make report at the Adjournment of the Meeting Then a Motion was made that Provifion Should be made for paying Some of ye the town Debts &c. Then Voted that a Sum of money be granted & afseft Sufficient to pay mr Josiah Capen what is justly due to him, also it was Voted that mr Richard Clark Collect a Sum emediately due on his prefent tax Bills that Said Capen may be Relieved for the prefent ————

Then the Meeting was adjourned to the Second monday in November next at one O Clock in the afternoon at this Place ——

At the Adjournment of the aforemention'd meeting on the Said Second Monday of November 1787. the Committee Appointed to Audit the Accounts of the town Informed that they had not Compleated Said Service, they Voted to adjourn the Meeting to the third monday in December Next two O Clock afternoon to finiſh the Buſineſs &c ———

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 4th: Day of December 1787. They agreed to Call a Town-meeting to be on the 17 day of this Present month at the meeting Houſe at Nine O Clock in the morning to Chooſe a Perſon to Represent the town in a Convention to be held at the State Houſe in Boston on the Second Wednesday of January Next ——

They also Agreed to have an other Meeting the Same day & at the Same Place to act on the following articles (Viz) First to Chooſe a Moderator of the Meeting. Second to give the town treaſurer Some Directions to enable him to Settle with Mr Joseph Bright (3d) to take under consideration the Request of mr: John Cookson and afford him Such Relief as the town may think Proper. (4th-) to abate any Perſons tax's the town may think Proper: and act any thing thereon they may think Proper. —— (5ly) To hear the reports of any Committees and act any thing thereon they may think Proper, (6ly) To hear the Petition of Samuel Jeniſon and act any thing thereon that is proper. ——

Warrants were Issued accordingly Dated the Same day Directed to the Constables Signed by Order of the Selectmen

P Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Publick town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe in Said town on monday the 17th- day of December 1787 for the Choice of a Perſon to Represent them in a Convention to be held at the State Houſe in Boston on the Second Wednesday of Jany: Next. Dr Marſhall Spring was Chosen ———

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watetown at the meeting Houſe on monday the 17th Day of January 1787 to act on Several town affairs as Setforth in the Warrant for Calling the Meeting - They Choſe mr Josiah Bisco Moderator of the Meeting ———

on the 2d article they Voted that the Treaſurer Credit mr. Joseph Bright the Sums allowed by the Committee in Settleing mr Halls

accounts as a Collector and Mr Brights receipt Shall be the treafurers Discharge for the Same ———
Then Voted to refeer the Matter Between m^r Joseph Bright as Collector and m^r Benjamin Bird relating to m^r Halls orders on Phinehas Harrington to the Selectmen as also m^r John Cooksons request, and also to abate Such perfons tax's in the Several Collectors list as they think right and just ———

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on Samuel Jenifons request for Some relief for the Support of his Daughters Child whereof Stephen Harris is the Reputed father it was Voted that the Selectmen Should take Such Meafures as they Should think proper to Compell s^d Harris to do Some thing towards the Support of s^d Child. and also do what they think Necefsary for the releif of Said Jenifon ————

then Voted and Adjourned the meeting to Next monday at this place at one O Clock afternoon ————

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown afsembled at the Meeting Houfe in Said town on Monday ye 24th. Day of December 1787. By adjournment ————

M^r: Josiah Bisco being Moderator. The Meeting being Opened. They proceeded on the (4th) article Relating to Abatements of Tax's & that the Collectors of tax's have leave to have the Executions against them returned Sattisfied in part agreable to the Report of a Committee as on file ————
Voted that the Treafurer be Directed & Impowered to Borrow money in the Name and behalf of the town and pay the tax's of Daniel Parker & others, tax's in Major Josiah Capens and m^r Richard Clarks, State Tax's
Then the meeting was adjourned to m^rs Dorothy Coollidges at .6: O Clock this evening — The Inhabitants being Meet at Said time & Place They Voted and Granted £ 26 : 11 : 7 to Sattisfy abatements agreable to the Report of the Selectmen and that it be afsefsed in the Next town Rate
Voted that all the old Debts the town ows be Paid as they were Confolidated by a Committee that were appointed for that Service ————
Then m^r Bisco informed that there was Some Difficulty in the

accounts between m^r Henry Bradſhaw as Collector & Col^o: Amos Bond when Town treaſurer. Where upon the Town Voted & Choſe Meſs^rus: Josiah Bisco, David Sanger. & Daniel Mason as a Committee to Settle the affair ————
Then Voted that the Treaſurer Provide Printed tax Bills for each of the Inhabitants at the expence of the town. ————
Then adjourned the meeting [to t]he 21 Day of Jany Next at one O Clock afternoon ———

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 9th- Day of January AD 1788 ———— at the Houſe Major Thos- Mellens. They agreed with m^r Jedidiah Leathe for him to Improve the Hay Scales on year from this time he paying the Sum of four Pounds ten ſhillings for the uſe thereof to the Town Treaſurer in Quarterly payments as it becomes Due, but on failer thereof the Said agreement to be Void. (See the Agreement on file Signed by the parties)
The Selectmen Appointed Said m^r Leathe Surveyor & Weigher of Hay for Said time, Who was Sworn to the faithfull Discharge of Said trust. ye Same time
By Jon^a: Brown Just^s: Peace ————
at this meeting m^r Leathe Presented his account for the repairs of the Wood-work of the Scales for the last year amounting to the Sum of £ 2 : 16 : 8 which was allowed. ————
They Signed an order on the town Treaſurer to pay the Rev^d m^r Eliot his Sallery for the present year which began the Ninth day of may last ————
and an order to pay m^r Jedidiah Learned five pounds four ſhillings and ten pence in full of his account Exhibited for Boarding Abigail Hay two weeks and an half, and for Boarding Mary Learned from the 3^d. Day of April 1787. to the 3^d Day of Sep^r: following ————

At a meeting of the Selectmen at Maj^r Thomas Mellens's on the fifteen day of January. 1788. They being Called upon by Capt Thomas Durant a Deputy Sheriff to Settle an Execution he had against the town for the Sum of £ 65 : 10 : 9 ———— They Borrowed of m^r: Jonas Bond to the amount of £ 17 : 3 : 6 in Certificates payable in one month from this Day, & of m^r Tim^o- Williams £ 15 pounds in money payable on Demand with Interest till paid.

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly aſsembled at the meeting Houſe on monday ye 12th- Day of Jan^y: AD 1788. By adjournment. being Met it being Could they adjour^d: to Maj^r Thomas Mellens's, the meeting being opened the Committee that were Appointed to Consider the affair Relating to Col^o: Amos Bond late Treaſ^r and Mr Henry Bradſhaw late Collector of tax's being Informed that the Committee appointed to Settle the affair had not Compleated the Buſineſs. the meeting was adjourned to the 4th- of Feby Next at the meeting Houſe at 3 O Clock afternoon

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe or m^r: Dorothy Coollidge on Thursday the 31th- Day of January. 1788. they Signed orders on the Treaſurer to pay the Several Sums allow'd Sundry perſons by the Town at their meeting in May last. (Viz) one Amounting to the Sum of £ 52 : 4 : 8 : 2 the other amounting to the Sum of £ 7 : 17 : 2 — — — — — at this meeting they Agreed to give m^r Phinehas Jeniſon - 4 : 0 : 0 for his Service as Saxton the preſent year ————

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Regularly aſsembled at the meeting in s^d town on monday the 4th- Day of Feb^ry: 1788 by adjournment. Mr Josiah Bisco being moderator. the Committee Appointed to Inquire into and Settle the Difficulty between m^r Henry Bradſhaw late Collector & Col^o: Amos Bond late treaſurer made Some Verbal report that they had attended that Service but by reaſon of an Execution not then to be had they could not Compleat the Buſineſs at preſent and So the meeting was Deſolved. —

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 4th: Day of Feb^ry: 1788. at Major Thomas Mellens's they appointed to Meet the Selectmen of Weston, & Waltham on monday the 18th: Day of this Present month of February at one OClock afternoon at the Houſe of Mr Benjn- Bird in Waltham to Adjust the Charge that has ariſen for the repairs of the Great Bridge in Watertown Since the last adjustment and Directed the Clerk to notify the Selectmen of Said towns of the time & place.

At a meeting of the Selectmen on Fryday the 23^d Day of February AD. 1788. at m^r Samuel Wellingtons they Agreed to have a

Publick Town Meeting to be at the Publick Meeting Houſe on Monday the third Day of March at Nine O Clock in the forenoon for the following Purpoſes (Viz) First to Chooſe a Moderator of ye Meeting (2^ly^) To Chooſe all town officers required by law to be Choſe in the Month of march or April annually. ——— (3^ly^) To Chooſe a Saxton and agree how he Shall be paid for his Service (4^ly^) To Determin whether Swine Shall run at large the enſueing year. ——— (5^ly^) To put in their Votes for a County Treaſurer. (6^ly^) To agree what Schools Shall be Kept. and grant money to Support the Same and act any thing thereon they may think proper. (7^ly^) To grant money to Support the Poor. ——— (8^ly^) To grant money to Support the Great Bridge. and do any thing relating thereto they Judge best (9^ly^) to grant money to repair the Highways and do any thing Relating thereto they Judge best. ———

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(10^ly^) To Chooſe a Committee to Examin the Teaſurers Accounts (11^ly^) To hear the Accoun[ts] of thoſe Perſons the town is Indebted to and grant money to pay the Same. ——— (12^ly^) To hear the reports of any Committees and Act thereon as they See fit ——— (13^ly^) For the town to Determin in What way and manner they will carry on the law-Suit between m^r^ John Cook and the town which is began by the Selectmen in the Name and Behalf of the town. and to act any thing thereon they think proper. (14^ly^) For the town to Agree upon Such Meaſures as they Judge Proper to Collect the Intrenching tools left in the hands of the Selectmen, which belonge to the Commonwealth. — and Likewise to notify the Perſons the town is indebted to to bring in their accounts to the Selectmen on Fryday the 29th- Inſtant at three O Clock afternoon at the wid^o^ Dorothy Coollidges. a Warrant was Issued to the Constable to Warn the Inhabitants of the town Quallified to Vote in town affairs to aſsemble at Said time & place for the purpoſes aforementioned. By Order of the Selectmen ——— and Signed By ——— Jon^a^: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston & Waltham on the 25th- Day of Feby. 1788. at the Houſe of M^r^: Benjn. Bird Innholder in Waltham they adjusted the Charge that had ariſen for the repairs of the Great Bridge in Watertown Since

the last adjustment which was on the Sixth Day of February AD: 1788. ————
the whole amounting to the Sum of £ 16 ″ 1 ″ 2 - - - - - - - - - -
Whereof Watertown's part is the Sum of - - - - 5 ″ 15 ″ 2
Weston's d° is - - - - - - - - - - - - 4 ″ 18 : 0
Waltham's d° is - - - - - - - - - - - - 5 : 8 : 0

£ 16 : 1 : 2

They Agreed with Mr: David Sanger to Procure as many good Planck as will be Wanted for the Bridge the enſueing year at the lowest price he can. ————

The Selectmen of Watertown Directed their town Treaſurer to give the Selectmen of Weſton an order on the Selectmen of Waltham for £ 7 : 6 : 5 being a Ballance due from Watertown to Weston. ————

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of the wid° Dorothy Coollidge on the 29 Day of February AD. 1788. the following accounts were brot: and Presented for allowance (Viz) ——— for Schooling &c mr Nathl: Ruggles Whitneys for keeping School from July 16. 1787 to the 25 day of Feby: Inſtant
31 : 4 : 2 : 2
and to Peter Harringtons Supplying Wood 2 : 2 : 5 : 2

Being the Middle Destrict. ———— £ 33 : 6 : 8 : 0
mr Joseph Jackson for keeping School 3 months & 9 days 24 : 17 : 0
Capt Moſes Coollidge for Supplying Wood - - 2 : 10 : 0

Being the East Destrict ———— 27 : 7 : 0

The following accounts for Supply's for the Poor (Viz)
Mr Amos Livermores account amounting to the Sum of 1 : 6 : 8
Mr Thomas Pattens d° — — — — — — — — — 0 ″ 9 ″ 6
Mr Richard Clarks d° — — — — — — — — — 9 ″ 4 : 7
Lt Francis Faulkners d° — — — — — — — — 0 ″ 6 : 0
mr Stephen Minots d° — — — — — — — — 0 ″ 4 ″ 0
miſs Grace Sangers d° — — — — — — — — 1 ″ 16 ″ 0
mr Samuel Wellington's — — — — — — — 1 ″ 18 ″ 8
Mr Elijah Bond for Boarding Anna Rainger £ 3 : 9 : 0 ——

The Selectmen's Accounts for Extra Services in Settleing an Execution &c — 3 : 15 : 1
1788 March y^e. 3th-. the Selectmen Signed an order on the treaſurer for the above Sums Except m^r Elijah Bonds — — — —

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the following accounts were laid before the town at April meeting & allow'd and a Grant made to pay the Same (Viz) ———
To Mr Josiah Bisco for his Service as aſseſsor ye year past — 3 : 2 : 0
to m^r Daniel Mason for like Service — — — — 1 : 14 " 0
to Col^o Amos Bond for like Service — — — — 1 " 12 " 0
to the Selectmen for Expences the year past — — 6 " 1 " 4 : 2
to Jon^a Brown Esqr for Serving Treaſurer last year 6 " 0 " 0 : 0
to m^r Daniel Sawin for Stone for a Bridge — — 0 " 4 " 0 —
to m^r Joshua Coollidge for Ditto — — — — 0 " 4 " 0 —
to m^r Thomas Pattin for fenceing Stuff — — — 0 " 3 " 0

19 : 0 : 4 : 2

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in Town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the meeting Houſe in Said Town on monday the third Day of March AD: 1788. for the Choice of Town officers and other affairs as Setforth in the Warrant for Calling the Meeting. ————
Voted and Choſe William Hunt Esqr: Moderator of the Meeting. ———
Then Voted and Choſe the following Perſons afternamd to Serve in the Several offices hereafter mentioned (Viz) —
Jonathan Brown Esqr: Town-Clerk. ————

Selectmen:
- William Hunt Esqr
- Col^o: Amos Bond
- Mr Amos Livermore
- Mr David Sanger
- Col^o: Chris^r: Grant

Aſseſsors:
- Jon^a Brown Esqr
- Col^o Amos Bond
- m^r Saml White

Jonathan Brown Esqr: Town-Treaſurer ————
Constables Meſs David Stone & William Stone ———
Collectors Capt: Moſes Coollidge & L^t: Samuel Wellington ——
Wardens Meſs Jonas Barned & Moſes Hager ——
Fence Viewers Mr Jonas White Ju^r & Col^o: Amos Bond ———
Sealers of Leather Meſ^rs Moſes Warren & Elijah Mead ——

Tythingmen Mefrs- Mr: Samuel Hager & William Warren —
Surveyors of Highways Mefrs Saml Wellington, Daniel Jackson, Josiah Sanderfon and Mofes Warren ——
Surveyors of Timber &c Capt: Thomas Vofe & mr David Sanger—
Howards Mefrs. Jonas Bond jur- Lt: William Warren ——
Hogrieves mefrs Israel Cook & Saml: Fowles ——
Clerks of the Markets Capt: John Fowles & Capt: Thos Vofe —
Meafurers of Wood Capt: Thos: Vofe and Capt: Daniel Jackson ——
Cullars of Hoops Staves &c mr: Jeremiah Bridge and Lt. Frans. Faulkner —
Chofe for Saxton mr Phinehas Jenifon. Voted that the Selectmen pay him as they Judge Proper ———— Then the Votes were Called for brot: in & Counted and it Appeared that the Honle Ebenr Bridge Esqr had 60 Votes ——
Voted and Granted a Tax of 3/s on a Single Poll and in Proportion on the Estates. to repair the Highways and townways the year enfueing, to be worked out if the Inhabitants thinк proper at the Rate of 6s/ Pr Day for a man and 6/ pr day for a good Team ——

Voted and Chofe for a Committee to examin ye Treafr acctts { William Hunt Esqr: / Colo Amos Bond / Capt John Fowles

Then the Comttee. appointed to Rebuild the Bridge over John Cooks Wast (so called) Reported that they had Compleated the Bufinefs Which was accepted See the Report on file ———

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Then the Selectmen being appointed a Committee to take Such meafures as they Should Judge Necefsary for Compelling mr John Cook to pay the expence of Rebuilding the Bridge over his Wast (so called) Reported that they laid the account of the expence of the Rebuilding Said Bridge before mr Cook and Called upon him for payment but he Refufeing payment they had Commenced a Suit against him for the Recovery thereof ——— and after Confideration thereof. They Voted to Choofe a Committee or three agents to purfue the affair in the Name and behalf of the town ———

Voted and Chofe for a Committee or agents —— { William Hunt Esqr. / mr: David Sanger / mr Saml White

Voted that the Committee be Impowered in the Name and behalf

of the town to proceed on the affair in Such way and manner as they Judge best. either by refeering that and any Defputes relating to Road, as may appear for the best. Voted and Granted £ 40 pounds to enable the agents to Carry on the affair ———
on the article relating to Intrenching tools. Voted that the Selectmen look up the the Same and profecute the affair as they Judge Needfull ————
Then it was purpofed to agree with Some perfon or perfons to Collect the tax's for the enfueing year — and Capt: Mofes Coollidge agreed to Collect the east list of Town and County tax's 1/ Pr Pound. and Co Samuel Wellington agreed to Collect the West list of the town and County tax for 1/2 Pr Pound — and. they agreed with m^{r}: David Stone to Collect the East list of the State Tax for 1/4 P pound. and with m^{r} William Stone to Collect the West list of the State tax for 2/ P^{r} pound. ————
They to give Bonds with Surety's as ufual.
Voted & Granted £ 100 pounds for the ufe of the Schools and that they be kept in the Same way and manner as they were last year —
Voted and Granted £ 100 pounds to Support the Poor ———

Watertown March ye 3^{d}: 1788 Jonathan Brown Esqr was Sworn into the office of Town Clerk m^{r} David Stone, & William Stone Constables, Capt: Mofes Coollidge & Cor^{t} Saml Wellington Collectors.

By William Hunt Just^{s}: Peace ——
and mef^{r} Mofes Warren & Elijah Mead Sealer of Leather. —
Samuel Wellington, Daniel Jackson, Josiah Sanderfon, and Mofes Warren Surveyors of Highways
Thomas Vofe and David Sanger Surveyors of Timber &c —
Jonas Bond ju^{r} and William Warren Howards
Israel Cooke and Saml Fowles Hogrieves. —
John Fowles and Thomas Vofe Clerks of the Markets ——
Thos Vofe and Daniel Jackson Meafurers of Wood ———
Jeremiah Bridge and Francis Faulkner Cullers of Hoops &c

Pr Jon^{a}; Brown Just^{s}: Peace

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march y^{e}. 12th. 1788 m^{r}: Samuel Hager was Sworn into the office of Tythingman. ——— and on ye 18^{d}- Day Col^{o}: Amos Bond & Mr Samuel White into the office of Afsefsors ———

Pr Jon^{a}: Brown Just^{s}: Peace————

march ye 20th- 1778 Jon^a: Brown Esqr: was Sworn into the office of aſseſsor Pr William Hunt Just^t: Peace —— april y^e; 10th — Jon^a Brown Esqr: took the oath of alegiance & Signed the Declaration to Quallifie him to Serve in the offices of Town-Clerk Town-Treaſurer & aſseſsor — — Before W^m- Hunt Justice of Peace — William Hunt Esqr: & Col^o Amos Bond took the oath of alegiance & Signed the Declaration to Serve in the town offices to which they were Choſen in march last.

Before Jon^a: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of L^t: Samuel Wellington on the 17th- Day of march 1788. They ordered the Clerk to Issue out Warrants to the Several Constables to Warn the Inhabitants to Watertown Quallified According to the Constitution to Vote in the Choice of Governor Lt Governor & Senators to aſsemble at the meeting Houſe on the first monday in April Next at two O Clock in the afternoon for that Purpoſe. ——— and also to Warn the Inhabitants Quallified to Vote in town affairs to meet at the Same place on the Same day at three O Clock afternoon to act on the following Articles (Viz) First to Chooſe a Moderator of the Meeting. — — — — (2) To hear the accounts of thoſe perſons the town is Indebted to and grant money to pay the Same. ————

(3) To grant money to repair the Great Bridge and act any thing Relating thereto they Judge Neceſsary ——— (4) To Paſs upon a list of Juriors prepared by ye Selectmen to be laid before the town. (5) to Hear the Reports of any Committees and act thereon as they think best. —— (6) To know the mind of the town whether they will give any Directions to the Town Treaſurer reſpecting the Issueing town orders for the payment of Debts, and act any thing Reſpecting the Same they think best. (7) To know if the town will Accept of the Pew that was Sold to m^r John Draper. & if So make Proviſion for Paying the Prime Cost agreable to the Vote of the town. and to do any thing relating to that. or any other Pew that belongs to the town as they Judge best, —— (8) To Chooſe any other town officers in the Room of any that refuſe to Serve. ———— (9) To hear the Petition of Richard Clark and act thereon as the Town may think best. —— (10) To know if the town will make any repairs on the Perſonage buildings & act theron as the town may Judge best. ————

Warrants were Issued Accordingly Dated y^e. 21th. Inſtant. and Signed P order of ye Selectmen

Jon^a: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Meeting of the Selectmen the 20th- of march 1788. at mrs: Dorothy Coollidges They Signed an order on the Town-Treafurer to Pay mr: Nathaniel Sherman the Sum of 33 ″ 6 : 8 for keeping the School the last year. ————
They also Agreed to allow the wife of Samuel Spring two fhillings Pr week from the 13th- Inftant till further orders

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified according to the Constitution to Vote in the Choice of Governor, Lt: Governor & Senators being Duly warned and Regularly afsembled at the Publick Meeting Houfe in Said Town on Monday the 7th- Day of April AD: 1788. The Selectmen did Prefide. The Meeting being Opened. the Votes for a Governor beieng Called for brot: in Counted it appeared

That his Excellency John Hancock Esqr: had. 76 Votes
the Honl Elbridge Gerry Esqr: had - - - - - 5 votes

Then the Votes for a Lt: Governor were Called for brot in counted and Sorted and it appeared that the following Perfons had the Number Set against each of their Names (Viz)

The Honle Benjamin Lincoln Esqr: had — 54 Votes ——
The Honle Samuel Adams- Esqr: had — 21 Votes ——
The Honl Elbridge Gerry Esqr: had - - - 4 Votes ——
and the Honl: James Warren Esqr: had - - - 4 Votes ——

Then the votes for five Senators for the County of Middlefex were Called for & being Brought in Sorted and Counted it appeared the following Gentlemen had the Number of Votes Set against their Refpective Names (Viz) ————

The Honle Eleazer Brooks 49
Honl Ebenr Bridge Esqr 53
Honl Joseph Hofmer Esqr 54
Honl Nathl Gorham Esqr 7
Honle Joseph: B: Varnum 48
Honl Isaac Stearns- Esqr 50
Honl Walter Mc:Farland 23
Marfhall Spring - - - 27
Willian Thomfon - - 22
Capt David Brown - - - 21
Samuel Reed - - - - - - 21
William Hunt Esqr - - 2
John Brooks Esqr - - - - 1
William Hull Esqr - - - 1

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly Aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe in Said town on monday the Seventh Day of April AD 1788. to act on Sundry Matters as Mentioned in the Warrants for Calling the Meeting They Voted and Choſe William Hunt Esqr Moderator of the Meeting

the 2^{d} article being Read a Number of Accounts from Several perſons being laid before the town and Considered they Granted the Sum of £ 19 : 0 : 4 : 2 — to Sattisfie the Same See the (390) Page of this Book

3 artile Granted £ 6 pounds to repair the great Bridge ———

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m^{r}: Samuel Benjamin Presented an account for Supporting his Siſter Wilſon a[nd] being Considered the affair was put of to may Meeting ——

(4th) article Read a list of Juriors being Presented by the Selectmen and read & being Considered and accepted See the list on file - - - - - -

(5) article read and the Committee appointed to Examin the Treaſurers accounts for the year 1786. Presented their report. but one of the Committee not having Signed the Same it was put off to may Meeting. ————————

The Committee appointed to look up town land made Verbal report that they were adviſed to fence up a piece of town Land near m^{rs}: Dorothy Coollidges and thereby take Poſseſsion for the uſe of the town, and Desired the Direction of the town relating to the Same —— Where upon the town Voted that the Committee Proceed Agreable to the Said Advice ————

(6) article read relating to the treaſurer Issuing orders &c after Some Debate they Voted to Chooſe a Committee to Consider of the affair and report at may Meeting

Voted and Choſe for Said Committee ———
- Mr Amos Livermore
- Mr David Sanger
- Col^{o} Amos Bond
- Capt: John Fowles
- Capt: Eben^{r} Kent
- Mr Saml White
- Doct^{r}: Marſhall Spring
- Jon^{a}: Brown Esqr

(7th) article relating to Pews being Read and having considered the affair they Voted to accept mr. John Drapers Pew agreable to the former votes of the town. Then Colo Amos Bond offered to pay mr Drapers prime cost if the town would Grant it to him, which the town accepted and granted it to him upon the Same terms that mr Draper held it ——— then Voted to put of the Consideration of the Sale of the Pew that was Majr Josiah Capens to may Meeting

(8th) article read and past over ———

(9th) article read & mr Richard Clarks Petition being Read. Voted to Committ it to a Comtte to Consider of it and report what is proper for the town to Do thereon ———

Voted and Chofe for Said Committee ——— { mr Saml White, mr Amos Livermore, Wm Hunt Esqr, Colo Amos Bond —, Doctr Marſhall Spring

(10th) article Read relating to the ministerial Buildings being repaired and they Voted to Choofe a Committee to View the Same and report at may Meeting

Chofe for Said Committee ——— { Mr: Amos Livermore, Mr: Benjamin Hastings, Mr Saml White ——

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen the Seventh Day of April 1788 at Majr Thos Mellens. They agreed with the Several Perſons afternamed to take the Several poor perſons and Board them for one year at Rate aftermentioned (Viz)

Mr Daniel Barned to Board &c for Deliverance Whitney @ 3/7 pr week —

Thomas Shepard to Board &c for Abigail Hay P/ — 3/- P do —

James Barnard to Board Benjn Whitney @ 2/11 P do —

Moſes Mason to Board Mary Learned @ 2/11 P do —

Joseph Coollidge to Board Ruth Maddax @ 3/4 P do —

And at their Meeting the Eighth Day at Mrs: Dorothy Coollidges the following Accounts were brot: in and allowed (Viz) ———

meſsrs: Simon & Daniel Whitney for Houſe Room for Spencer Godding one year and Some Bruſh to Burn - - - - - - - 3 : 1 : 4

Eunice Coollidge for Boarding &c for Ruth Maddox to this day - - 12″ 3″ 6

Jedidiah White in full for Boarding Abigail Hay to this time - - -	4 : 1 : 2
Thomas Pattin on Account of Lucy Child being left at Major Mellens - -	0 : 6 ″ 0
Joseph Bright for Board^ing^ Mary Learned in the year 1786 - - -	2 ″ 18 : 6
Solomon Prentice in full for Boarding the Wid^o^ Deliv^ce^ Whitney - — -	10 ″ 7 ″ 7
Jedidiah Learned in full for Boarding Mary Learned to this time — -	5 ″ 14 ″ 6
Josiah Learned in full for Boarding the Wid^o^ Hannah Learned to this time	7 ″ 15 : 0
	£ 46 ″ 7 ″ 7

At this meeting the Selectmen Signed an Order on the Treaſurer to Pay the above Sum of £ 46 : 7 ″ 7. ————

Watertown April ye 11th-. 1788. L^t^: Samuel Wellington took the oath of Alegience and Subscribed the Declaration to Quallifie himſelf to Serve a Collector — Before William Hunt Just^s^ Peace and Meſs^rs^ William Stone, and David Stone, Constables, Samuel White Aſseſsor, and Amos Livermore, David Sanger, & Christopher Grant Ju^r^ as Selectmen all took the Oath and Subscribed the Declaration to Quallifie themſelves to Serve in the Said offices ————

Before Jon^a^: Brown Town-Clerk

Watertown April ye 14th. 1788

Col^o^ Amos Bond and m^r^ Jonas White ju^r^ were Sworn into the office of Fence-Viewers — ——— ——— By Jon^a^: Brown Town-Clerk

Watertown June ye 2^d^. Capt. Moſes Coollidge was Sworn into the office of Collector of tax's and took the Oath of Allegiance & Subscribed the Declaration. Before Jon^a^: Brown Town-Clerk N: B was Choſen the Seventh day of may last

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on thursday the 24 Day of April 1788 at the Houſe of [m^r^] Edward Richardſon, They let the

Wharf in Cambridge to Capt. Moſes Coollidge for one year begining the first Day of this month for which he is to pay eighteen ſhilling on or before the Expiration of the Said term. ———— They agreed to call a meeting of the Selectmen of the three towns Concerned in the Support of the Great Bridge over the River, to be at m^{rs} Coollidges on the twelfth day of may Next at two O Clock afternoon to view the Bridge and Agree upon what repairs Should be made and Directed the Clerk to Notify the Selectmen of Weston & Waltham thereof. ————

At this meeting John Tainter apply'd to the Selectmen to have his tax's abated in m^{r} Richard Clarks lists, and agreed to put what Real Estate he had into the Hands of the Selectmen to be under their care, and gave the town a Deed of his Houſe and Land, upon which the Selectmen in behalf of the town made & Signed the following agreement (Viz)

The Inhabitants of the town of Watertown having this day by their Selectmen, Agreed to Pay to m^{r} Richard Clark Collector of Tax's the Sum of Five pounds two ſhillings and three pence three farthings for Rates due him from John Tainter of Said Watertown and the Said John Tainter for the Same Consideration conveyed to the Inhabitants [of] Said Town of Watertown half an Acre of Land in Said Watertown with a Houſe thereon as P Deed of even Date with these Presents, The Said Selectmen for and in behalf of Said Inhabitants hereby agree to leaſe to Said Tainter the Same Houſe and land annually and every year During the Natural life of Said Tainter, he paying the Sum of Six Shillings P^{r} year for the present and the tax's annually, and also any further Sum the Said Town & Tainter Shall Agree upon yearly, and its further agree y^{t}. at the Deceaſe of Said Tainter the Said Inhabitants Shall Convey Said Premiſses to the Heirs of Said Tainter they paying Said Consideration Sum and Interest, & also Such further Sum as the Said Town may Advance Said Tainter During his life. ————

Watertown April y^{e}. 24th- 1788.

William Hunt
Amos Bond
Amos Livermore
David Sanger
Christopher Grant
} Selectmen of Watertown

Agreable to the vote of the town at their meeting the. 7th. Day

of April 1788 — Col^{o}: Amos Bond has paid m^{r} John Draper Eight pounds in full for his Pew in the Meeting Houſe as Appears by m^{r} Drapers Receipt a Copy whereof is on file, So that Said Bond hold the Pew on the Same Conditions that m^{r} Draper held it —

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The Selectmen at their meeting the 24th- Day of April aforementioned Agreed to have a Town Meeting the 5th- Day of may Next at the meeting Houſe at two O Clock afternoon to Chooſe a Perſon to Represent the town in the General Court the year enſueing, and Directed the Clerk to Issue out Warrants to the Constables to warn the Inhabitants of the Town Quallified to Vote in the Choice of Representatives to aſsemble at Said time & place for Said Purpoſe ———— and they further Agreed that the Constables be Directed to Warn the Quallified Voters to Vote in town affairs to aſsemble the Same day at three O Clock afternoon at the meeting Houſe for the following purpoſes (Viz) — First to Chooſe a moderator of the Meeting ————

(2^{ly}) To hear the reports of any Committees, and act any thing thereon they Judge Proper. ———

(3^{ly}) to make any further grants of money for any perticular Services they may See Neceſsary

(4^{ly}) to know the minds of the town if they will Apply to the General Court to Farm out the Fishery in Said town and act thereon as they Judge best. ———

(5^{ly}) To hear the accounts of perſons the town is Indebted to, and grant money to pay the Same. ————

[(6^{ly})] to Chuse any town officers in the Room of any that have refused or Neglected to Serve

(7^{ly}) to know if the town will give liberty for any Hospitals to be Opened for the Reception of the Small Pox by innoculation and Act thereon as they Judge best. —

Warrants were Issued Accordingly P^{r}: Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

At the Meeting mentioned the other Side the town again took into Consideration a Vote on the report of a Committee Relating to the Treaſurers Issueing Orders &c and they Past the following Vote (Viz) The Vote overruled, and the town Vote that the Treaſurer be and hereby is Directed to Issue his Executions against Delinquent Collectors or Constables at the Expiration of

one year from the Commitment of their Several rate lists to them, without any Application to the Town therefor ———
a notification from Nath[l] Ruggles Whitney of his taking in Peggy Rufsell from Lexington See the Notification on file

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At a Town meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Representative afsembled at the Meeting Houfe on monday the fifth Day of may 1788. Col[o]: Amos Bond was Chofen to Reprefent the town in the General Court the year enfueing —

At a Publick Town Meeting held at the Meeting Houfe on monday the fifth Day of may 1788. of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs, to act on Sundry affairs as mentioned in the Warrant for Calling y[e] Meeting They Voted and Chofe William Hunt Esq[r]: moderator of the Meeting. ———
on the 2[d]: article the Report of a former Committee was read Relating to a Settlement of accounts made between M[r]: Samuel Cook and the town See the (364) Page of this Book wherein £ 1 ″ 15 ″ 10 was allowed m[r] Cook whereupon it was recommitted to the former Committee, Col[o]: Amos Bond being joined in the Room of one Deceafed — and they reported that m[r] Cook be allowed £ 6 ″ ″ which was accepted. and they Voted that the Treafurer Should pay him that Sum. ——— The Committee appointed to Consider what is proper to be don relating to the Treafurers giving orders for payment of Debts reported y[t] it be left to the Treafurer to do as he Shall Judge best.
which was Voted and accepted ———
on the 4th-. article they Voted and Directed their Representative to apply to the General Court for liberty to Farm out the Fishery in the town ———
on the (6) article Voted and Choofe Cap[t]: Mofes Coollidge a Collector of tax's —
on the (7) Article Relating to giving liberty for Hospitals after a Consderable debate they Voted to Dismifs the and not act any thing further thereon —

Then they Voted that the meeting Should be adjourned to monday Next —— four O Clock afternoon at this place to finish the remaining Businefs which was don.

At a Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in town affairs aſsembled at the Meeting on Monday the. 12th Day of May AD: 1788. by adjournment William Hunt Esqr: being Moderator the meeting being Opened they proceeded
The Committee appointed to consider mr Richard Clarks Petition Reported as their Opinion that mr Clark be allowed his Charge in Petitioning the General Court being —— £ 3″ 6″ 0
Then the following Accounts were Read to the town (Viz) —

Benjamin Hastings for mending the Glaſs &c in the Meeting Houſe	0″ 4 : 0
Saml: White Jona: Brown & Josiah Bisco for Stating the town Debt & Credit — — ———	2″ 14 : 0
Saml Benjamin for Boarding his Siſter Wilſon —	4″ 2″ 0
and the Several Sums amounting to the £ 10 : 6 : 0 were	£ 10″ 6″ 0

Granted therefor ———
Then they Voted and Choſe the following perſons a Comtte: to repair ye ministerial Houſe &c
- mr Amos Livermore
- mr Simon Whitney
- mr David Sanger

Then Voted and Granted £ 40 pounds for Said Service ———
Then the Meeting was Deſolved ——— See the Vote relating to the treaſurer ye other Side

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston, and Waltham on the 27th Day of may AD: 1788. at Mrs: Dorothy Coollidges in Watertown. They Viewed the great Bridge and it Neceſsary to make Some repairs as Soon as Conveniently may be. Agreed that mr David Sanger take care to Provide Some Suitable Stones. for the work, and Capt: Isaac Jones Provide one longe String peice for sd: Bridge — — — —
The 27th: Day of May 1788. The Selectmen Signed an order on the Treaſurer to Pay mr: Elijah Mead five pounds Ninteen ſhillings & five pence in full of his account for keeping School in the east part of the town ————
At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown & Waltham at mr: Benjamin Birds in Waltham on the Ninth Day of June AD: 1788. They adjusted the Charge that has Ariſen for the Support of Abigail Ball Since the last adjustment which was on the 11th-Day of June 1787. which adjustment includes the thirteenth Day

of this Present month June. The whole account amounts to the
Sum of £ 12 ″ 4 ″ 2 of which
Watertown Part is £ 6 ″ 5 ″ 10
Walthams D° is 5 ″ 18 ″ 4

12 ″ 4 ″ 2

at this meeting the Several Accounts of all the Adjustments that had been Made between the two towns to the fourteenth day of this present month were Settled & receipts Paſsed between the Treaſurers of each town. there Remaining a Ballance due from Waltham to Watertown of 18/6, Waltham Treaſurer gave a note of hand on Demand for the Same ————

At a meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of L^{t}: Samuel Wellington on Monday the Elevnth day of Aug^{t}: 1788. They Agreed to let m^{r}: Josiah Learned have the Graſs on his Grandmothers Marſh land this year for Eighteen ſhillings, at this meeting and order was given to the Treaſurer to pay Samuel Dexter Esqr: two pounds twelve Shillin & ten pence in full of Costs Relating to the Preſentment on Account of John Cooks Wast. ———— also Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay Jonathan Brown jun^{r} and Joseph Stearnes each £ 2 ″ 8 : 0 which with what they received will be in full for their Services in the army agreable to the towns Contract. provided they give the Treaſurer an order for their pay allow'd by the State —— and an order to pay Jedidiah Learned £ 1 ″ 12 : 6 in full for Boarding Mary Learned.

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at Lt Samuel Wellingtons on monday [the] 18th day of Aug^{t}: AD 1788. The following Accounts were bro^{t}: to the Selectm[en] and accepted and allowed (Viz) To m^{r} Thomas Clark for Boarding Benjamin Whitney the year Past and mending his Clothing &c — — 9 ″ 2 ″ 8
To m^{r}: Steph^{n} Harris for taking care of his Son Nath^{ll} 1 ″ 10 ″ 0
To m^{r} George Brown for making a Chaine &c — 0 ″ 14 ″ 6

which Sum they ordered Should be Paid — — £ 11 ″ 6 ″ 6
Some other accounts were order to ly for the present to be inquired further into

m^{r} Nathaniel Bemis Presented an order from John Tainter requesting that they would pay Said Bemis ten pounds ten ſhillings on Account of his Real Estate Conveyed to the town, which they Agreed to do provided he will give a New Deed of

Said Houſe and land in fee Simple free from any right of Redemtion ————
at this meeting Samuel Jeniſon made Application to the Selectmen for So[me] aſsiſtance on Account of a Basturd Child in his Care and they Agreed to allow him 2/ P week from this time till further Orders of ye Selectmen

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston, & Waltham, for the Purpoſe of Considering what repairs are Neceſsary to be made to the Great Bridge over Charles-River in Said Town of Watertown. ————
Voted & Considered that it was Neceſsary to repair the Same, and that it be don as follows (Viz) ————
The middle Pier be leſsened in its Width eight or ten feet at the directi[on of] the Committee to be Choſen for that Purpoſe, the Butments to be rai[sed] and the Bridge to be raiſed as high as the Gallows Pier and the wh[ole] to be performed agreable to the direction of Said Committee - - ————
Voted That the Third and North pier, be repaired by Said Committee at their discretion, without rebuilding the Butments. ——
Voted to appoint a Committee to perform the Above Service. ——
Voted that m^r^ David Sanger, Mr Thaddeus Spring, & M^r^: William Wellington be Said Committee, And that they procure the Meterials and Aſsiſtance for that Purpoſe, and agree upon the Prices upon the Credit of the three Towns ———

Attest W^m^. Hunt Chairman

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At a meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 1th. Day of Sep^r^: AD: 1788 ——— at the Houſe of L^t^: Samuel Wellington they Approbated the perſons afternamed for renewing their licences for the year enſueing (Viz) ————

Innholders	m^rs^: Dorothy Coollidge Maj^r^ Thomas Mellens Mr Edward Richardſon- L^t^: Samuel Wellington	Retailors	Capt: John Fowle m^r^ Tim: Williams Capt: John George Lt Daniel Jackson L^t^: Francis Faulkner

At the above-mentioned Meeting they Signed an order on the Town Treaſurer to pay the perſons afternamed the Several Sums affixt to each of their Names. (Viz)
To m^r^ Thos: Clark for Boarding &c for Benjn Whitney 9″ 2″0

To m^{r} Stephen Harris for his care of his Son Nath^{ll}	1 ″ 10 ″ 0
To Josiah Mixer for Nurſing Mary Boyington Child	0 ″ 19 ″ 3
To Capt: Phinehas Stearnes for two years Interest on his Note	5 ″ 3 ″ 0

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 13th- Day of October 1788. at the Houſe of Major Thomas Mellens they Appointed m^{r} Jeremiah Bridge to be a Searcher & Packer of Beef, Porck, fiſh &c for the year enſueing ———
Watertown Oct^{r}: ye 24th. 1788 M^{r}: Jeremiah Bridge was Sworn into the office of Searcher & Packer of Beef, pork, Fish &c. ——
By Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston & Waltham on the 20th- Day of October AD: 1788. They Adjusted the Charge that had ariſen for the repairs of the Great-Bridge over Charles River in Watertown Since the last adjustment which was on the 25th- Day of February 1788. The whole charge being £ 49 ″ 9 ″ 6. of which Sum. ———

Watertowns	part is	£ 17 ″ 15 ″ 0
Westons	d° is	— 15 ″ 0 ″ 9
Walthams	d° is	16 ″ 13 ″ 9

So that there is a Ballance due from

Weston to Watertown	£ 0 ″ 14 ″ 6
and from Waltham of	2 ″ 13 ″ 6
	3 ″ 8 ″ 0

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 20th- Day of October AD 1788 —
They Signed orders on the Treaſurer to pay the Several perſons afternamed the Sums Set to each of their Names (Viz) ———

To m^{r} Josiah Bisco for Serving Aſseſsor last year -	3 ″ 2 ″ 0
To m^{r} Daniel Mason for like Service - - - - - -	1 ″ 14 ″ 0
To Col° Amos Bond for like Service - - - - - - -	1 ″ 12 ″ 0
To the Selectmen for expence last year — — — —	6 ″ 1 ″ 4 ″ 2
To Jon^{a} Brown for Serving Treaſurer last year - -	6 ″ 0 ″ 0 —
To m^{r} Daniel Sawin for a Stone for a Bridge — —	0 ″ 4 ″ 0 —
To m^{r} Joshua Coollidge for D° - - - - - - - - - -	0 ″ 4 ″ 0
To m^{r} Thomas Pattin for fenceing Stuff - - - -	0 ″ 3 ″ 0
these were granted at April meeting amounting -	19 ″ 0 ″ 4 ″ 2

The following granted at may Meeting (Viz) —

To mr Richard Clarks expence in Petitioning the Genl Court	3″ 6″0
To mr Benjamin Hastings for mending Glafs	0″ 4″0
To mefrs Saml White, Josiah Bisco, & Jona: Brown a Comtte- to State town Debt & Credit	2 : 14 : 0
To Saml Benjamin for Boarding his Sifter Wilfon	4″ 12″0
	10″16 : 0
also an order to pay mr Thomas Sheppard the Sum of for Boarding Abigail Hay Six months ————	3″ 18″0

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at Lt: Samuel Wellingtons on the 3d. Day of November AD. 1788. They Signed an order on the Treafurer to pay mr Samuel Jenifon one pound two fhillings for eleven Weeks Boarding &c for his Daughters Child, the time begining the 18th- day august last.

—— also to pay Mr: Josiah Bright two pounds eight fhillings in full for his Service in the army in January 1787. he being then a Soldier in Capt: Amos Bonds Company, he the Said Brights giving an order on the State Treafurer for the whole of his Wages due on Said Bonds Muster-Roll ———

at this meeting the Selectmen received a Notification from mr Jonas Bond informing that he had taken into his Family one John Caswell who came from Boston in November last, See the notification on file ———

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 1h. day of December AD: 1788. at Lt: Saml Wellingtons they ordered the Clerk to Issue Warrants directed to the Constables to Warn the Inhabitants who are Quallified to Vote for Representatives. to meet at the Meeting Houfe on thursday the eighteenth Inftant at one O Clock afternoon to give in their Votes for one Representative in Congrefs for Middlefex County and two Electors for the Choice of President &c: Warrants were Issued accordingly

Pr J Brown Town Clerk

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At the Meeting last Mentioned on the other Side the Selectmen Signed an order on the Treafurer to pay the Perfons after named the Sums Set to their Name being in full for the meterials

& labour at the Great Bridge as allow'd at the last Adjustment (Viz) ———

To Mesrs. David Sanger - - -	7 ″	1 ″	5
to Amos Livermore -	1 ″	16 ″	0
to William Chenery -	0 ″	18 ″	0
to Jedh Leathe - - -	0 ″	4 ″	0
to George & Vose - -	0 ″	12 ″	0
to Timo Williams - -	0 ″	11 ″	4
to Abraham Whitney	0 ″	6 ″	0
to Paul Learned - -	1 ″	7 ″	6
to Saml Wellington -	1 ″	18 ″	3
to Wm Harrington -	0 ″	9 ″	0
to Jona Harrington	2 ″	8 ″	0
to Adam Brown - -	0 ″	8 ″	0
to Jonas Hastings - -	0 ″	10 ″	6
to Saml Benjamin - -	0 ″	3 ″	0
to Saml & Moses Hager	0 ″	10 ″	0
The Sum total being £	21 ″	3 ″	0

At a Publick Town meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in the Choice of Representatives on the 18th- Day of December 1788, at the Meeting House to give in their Votes for a Person to Serve as a Representative in Congress, & two persons as Electors of a President & Vice President of the United States of America. — The Votes were Called for for a Representative and were brot: in Counted & Sorted and it appeared, that the Honle Elbridge Gerry had 24 Votes

John Brooks Esqr had 13- Votes
Eleazor Brooks Esqr: had 3 Votes

Then the Votes were brot: in for two persons as Candidale for Electors of President & Vice President & it appeared when Counted & Sorted that

the Honle Francis Dana Esqr: had — 21 Votes —
Honl Eleazor Brooks Esqr had — 21 Votes
Honl Oliver Prescott Esqr had — 14 Votes
James Winthorp Esqr had — 14 Votes

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 5th-. day of

January AD. 1789. at L^{t}. Samuel Wellingtons - They Signed an order on ye Treaſurer to pay the Several perſons after Named the Sums Set to each of their Names (Viz).

To Capt: Thomas Hunt for his Service on Bez^{ll}. Learneds account	1 : 0 : 10
To Dr Marſhall Spring in full of his accounts Exhibited this day	11 : 0″—
To Nathan Porter on Daniel Hastings's account for Stones &c	0 : 18 : —
To Samuel Jeniſon for care of his Daughters Child eight weeks —	0 : 16 : —
To Daniel Jackson in full of his account for Supplys for Jedidiah White in his last Sickneſs	3″ 14″ 7
To David Sanger in full of his account for houſe Rent &c for Bez^{ll} Learned	2″ 15″ —

At a Publick Meeting of the Selectmen for Inquiring into the State of the Collectors lists of Tax's which have been long outſtanding, at the Houſe of L^{t}: Saml Wellington on the 12th- Day of January AD 1789 They Examined Meſs^{rs} Joseph Brights, & Daniel Masons lists

at this meeting they Directed the Clerk to Issue out Warrants to the Constables to Warn the Quallified Voters to aſsemble at the Meeting Houſe on thursday the 29 Inſtant to give in their votes for a Perſon to Serve as a Representative in Congreſs for the Deſtrict of Middleſex, Which was Accordingly don the Same Day

By Jon^{a} Brown Town-Clerk

at this meeting they Directed the Treaſurer to call upon John Draper and David Stone for 18 Buſhels of Indian Corn each which they owe to the town for the Improvement of the Wid^{o} Learneds land. They also did agree with Jedidiah Leathe for him to Improve the Hay Scales one year from the ninth day of this present month he paying therefor four pounds ten Shillings to be in Quarterly payments but upon failure in him the agreement to be Void, they also appointed him Surveyor & Weigher of Hay during the term aforementioned

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at the Meeting last Mentioned they Directed the Clerk to Issue a Warrant to one of the Constables to Warn Sarah Sanders out of this town

At a Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Representative aſsembled at the meeting on Thursday the 29th Day of January AD. 1789. to give in their Votes for a Perſon to Represent the District of Middleſex in Congreſs of the United States of america, the Votes being given in it appeared that the following Perſons had the number of Votes Set against each of their Names (Viz) —

Elbridge Gerry Esqr: had 45 Votes
William Hull Esqr: had 14 do
Joseph B: Varnum had — 2 do

At a Meeting at the Same time and Place of the Inhabitants of the Said Town Quallified to Vote in town affairs the Meeting being opened They Voted and Choſe William Hunt Esqr: Moderator of the Meeting
mr Sawin Made Application to have his Tax in mr Jedidiah Leathes list, formerly Henry Bradſhaws abated as he Said he had Paid it to Sd Bradſhaw — Whereupon it was Voted that if Said Sawin would procure a Certificate from Mr Bradſhaw Sworn to before a Justice of ye peace Setting-forth that the tax's had been paid to him the Said Bradſhaw while he was a Collector, Then the Sd. tax Should be abated. ————————
Then mr William Sanger to have his tax's abated made a request to the town and it was Voted that the Collectors do not call on him for them till after Next March Meeting ———

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 18th Day of February AD. 1789 at Lt: Saml Wellingtons Capt: John Fowle brot: in his account for Supplys for Smith Prentice in his last Sickneſs of 0 " 16 " 1 —
and mr John Capel his account for a Coffen of - - 0 " 14 " 0

which was allowed ——— —— —— —— £ 1 " 10 " 1

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At this Meeting they Directed the Clerk to Issue out Warrants to the Several Constables to Warn the Inhabitants of the town Quallified to Vote in town affairs to meet at the Meeting Houſe on Monday the Ninth Day of March Next at Nine O Clock in the forenoon for the following Purpoſes (Viz)
First to Chooſe a Moderator of the Meeting ———

(2) To Chooſe all town officers required to be Choſe in the Month of March or April Annually. (3) To Chooſe a Saxton & agree how he Shall be paid for his Service (4) To Determin whether Swine Shall run at large the enſueing year. (5) To give in their Votes for a County Treaſurer. (6) to agree what Schools Shall be kept, and Grant money to Support the Same, and act anything thereon they may think proper. (7) To grant money to Support the poor. (8) To Grant money to repair the Great Bridge, and act any thing relating thereto they may think proper. (9) To Grant money to repair the Highways, and act any thing relating thereto they See fit. (10) To Chooſe a Committee to Examin the treaſurers accounts, (11) To hear the accounts of thoſe perſons the town is Indebted to and grant money to pay ye Same, (12) To hear the reports of any Committees & act thereon as they See fit. (13) To act any thing relating to the Fishery (agreable to an act of the General Court paſsed the last Seſsion) they Judge Neceſsary ——— (14) To know if the town will provide a further Supply of Powder & Ball for the training band & alarm list to be kept for that Perticular uſe. and Act any thng relating thereto they think best. (15) To abate any perticular perſons tax's if they think proper. (16) To know if the town will purchaſe a Small Building Standing on the towns Land where the widow White now Dwells, or Sell the land whereon the Same now Stands, and act thereon as they See fit. — Likewiſe to Notify the perſons the town is Indebted to to bring in their accounts to the Selectmen on the Sixth Day of March Next at three O.Clock afternoon at the Houſe of Lt Samuel Wellington.

Warrants were Issued accordingly Dated the 20th- of February
attest Jon^a^ Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at L^t^: Samuel Wellingtons on Monday the Second Day of March AD: 1789. Walter Hunnewells account was bro^t^: in for keeping School amounting to the Sum of - - - £ 33 ″ 6 ″ 8
also Mr Nathaniel Sherman bro^t^: in his Account for Schooling for the year past which amounted to the Sum of - 33 ″ 6 ″ 8
the Expence of Wood for each School being included in their Accounts They agreed that the last County tax Set to Watertown be paid out of the town Rates the Sum being £ 13 : 9 ″ 3 ″ 1. and Aſseſt with the Next town tax. ————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Lt Saml Wellington on Fryday the Sixth Day of March AD 1789. the following acc^{tts}- were bro^{t}: to the Selectmen & by them allowed & and orders on the Treaſurer given for Payment. (Viz) ———

School	m^{r} Nathl R. Whitney for keeping the East School	16″	16″	0
	m^{r} Daniel Clark Sanders for like Service at d^{o} board &c.	13″	8″	0
	Capt Moſes Coollidge for Wood for the School	3″	2″	0
	Col^{o} Chris^{r}: Grants acc^{tt} for the poor	5″	15″	1
L^{t}. Fran^{s}. Faulkners for Houſe Rent for Bez^{l} Learned Feby 24th-		1″	13″	9
m^{r} Wm Harrington for Wood to Learned & wid^{o} White		0″	16″	10
Lt Jon^{a} Harrington for Wood for Said White		0″	12″	0
m^{r} Amos Livermore for Supplys to poor		1″	7″	2
To his other Dittoo		1″	12″	6
Wm Hunt Esqr acc^{tt} for poor		1″	5″	1
m^{r} David Sangers acc^{tt} for the poor R. Goddard		0″	8″	6
m^{r} Elijah Bonds acc^{tt} for Anna Ranger		3″	18″	0
Mr Richd Clarks Acc^{tt} for Supplys poor		0″	13″	0
Col^{o} Amos Bonds for Saml Jeniſon & Rachel Goddard		3″	6 :	8
m^{r} Phin^{s} Jeniſon for Service at Smith Prentices Fun^{l}:		0″	9″	0
Maj^{r} Josiah Capens acc^{tt} poor		0″	13 :	4
Col^{o} Amos Bonds other acc^{tt}		0″	10 :	4
Said Amos Bond two years Interest on a Note		5″	8″	7
m^{r} Saml White one year d^{o} on d^{o}		5″	19″	3
Jon^{a} Brown three year on a Note		3″	12″	0
m^{r} W^{m}- Stone for Warning out 24 perſons @ 1/		1″	4″	0
Mr Benjn Hastings for Mending the Meeting Houſe Glaſs		0″	3″	0
m^{r} Josiah Sanderſon for work at the Wharf in Cambridge		0″	8″	0

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled on Monday the Ninth Day of March AD: 1789. for the Choice of town officers and other Town affairs Mentioned in the Warrants for Calling the Meeting. They Voted and Choſe William Hunt Esqr: Moderator —

Then Voted and Chofe the following perfons afternamed to Serve in the Several offices hereafter-mentioned (Viz) ————

Town-Clerk Jonathan Brown Esqr: ———

Selectmen { Mr Amos Livermore
Mr David Sanger
Mr Thos. Pattin
William Hunt Esqr:
Col^{o} Chris^{r} Grant Ju^{r}: } for afsefsors { Mr Saml White
Col^{o}: Amos Bond
m^{r} Edm^{d}: Fowle }

Town Treafurer Jonathan Brown Esqr: ———
Fence-Viewers m^{r} Mofes Warren & Israel Cook ————
Wardens Mefs^{rs}. Jonas Bond ju^{r} & Joshua Grant ———
Sealers of Leather Mefs^{rs} Mofes Warrin & Josiah Levett ——
Tythingmen Capt Nathl Bemis & Benjamin Hastings ——
Surveyors of Highways for the West Deftrict m^{r} Henry Farrington South Deftrict Mr Edm^{d}. Fowle, East Deftrict m^{r} Joshua Coollidge, North Deftrict m^{r} Jon^{a}: Brown ju^{r} ———
Surveyors of Timber &c Mef^{rs} David Sanger & Lt Daniel Jackfon Howards Maj^{r} Thos Mellens & m^{r} Hugh Mason ——
Hogrieves mefs^{rs} Moses Mason and Daniel Cornwall ——
Clerks of the Markets Capt Daniel Jackson & Capt John George —
Meafurers of Wood Capt Daniel Jackson & Mr Edmund Fowle —
Cullars of Hoops Staves &c Mefs^{rs} Jeremiah Bridge & Saml Holt Saxton m^{r} Phinehas Jenifon & Voted y^{t} the Selectmen pay him as they See fitt for his Services ——— Then the Votes were bro^{t} in for a County Treafurer & being Counted & Sorted it Appeared that Eben^{r} Bridge Esqr; had 32 Votes
Voted that Swine do not run at large this year ————
Then Voted to let the Collecting the tax's to the lowest Bider they giveing Bonds as last year, Voted that what they Collect in one year after they Receive their lists, the remainder to have no Premium; and that thofe Perfons that have lists not Settled Shall not have any more till t[hey] Settle the first.

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Then they Voted to reconfider the last Vote So far as it relates to the last Collectors and that they have liberty to bid as other Perfons ——
They then took into Consideration the abateing of tax's and Voted

to Chooſe a Committee of Nine perſons to hear the pleas of any Perſons that Should apply for abatements, and report a list of Such as they Judge proper to be abated to the town at April Meeting

Choſe for Said Committee —— William Hunt Esqr.
Mr Saml White
Mr Amos Livermore
Col^{o} Amos Bond
Capt: John George
Capt John Fowle
Mr Simon Whitney
Mr Edm^{d}: Fowle
Mr Thos Pattin

Then the article relating to the regulating the Fishery being read They Voted to Chooſe a Committee to prepare Rules for the regulating the Same to be laid before the town ———

Choſe for Said Committee ——— Col^{o} Amos Bond
William Hunt Esqr
Mr Edm^{d}: Fowle

Then the Meeting was Adjourned to the Houſe of Maj^{r} Thos Mellens at Seven o Clock this evening, at which time being Met They Proceeded to Farm out the Collecting the tax's. The East list of State tax being put up was Struct off to m^{r} Jonathan Stone at /11^{d}- ½ p^{r} pound West list put up was Struct off to Lt Saml Wellington at 1/ 1½ P d^{o}- ————
East list town tax then was Struct of to Jon^{a}. Stone at /11½ p^{r} d^{o}-
West list town d^{o} was Struct off to Saml Wellington at 1/3 P d^{o} ————
The County tax to be included with the town ———
Then the Meeting was Adjourned to Monday Next at two O Clock afternoon at the Meeting Houſe ————

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified According to law to vote in Town affairs aſsembled at the Meeting House on Monday the Sixteenth day of March AD. 1789 by Adjournment ———— William Hunt Esqr: being Moderator. The Meeting being opened they Proceeded, Voted and Choſe m^{r} Daniel Maſon &

Mr Henry Farrington Constables, & Chofe L^{t}: Saml: Wellington and Mr Jonathan Stone Collectors of Tax's ———
M^{r}: Samuel White at his Desire was Excufed from Serving afsefsor and Mr Amos Livermore was Chofen but by Desire was excufed ————
Then Voted and Excufed Mr Edmund Fowle from the Same Service
Then Voted & Chofe Jonathan Brown Esqr: & Col^{o}: Chris^{r} Grant ju^{r} afsefsors
Then voted & Granted £ 100 pounds to Support the Schools and that they be under the Same Regulations as they were the last year.
Voted and Granted £ 100 pounds to Support the poor ———
Voted and Granted 15 pounds to repair the Great Bridge
Voted & Granted a tax of 3^{s}/ on the Poll and the Estates to be taxed in that proportion to repair the Highways, and that the price of Labour in Working out Said tax be Six fhillings P Day for a man and the like Sum for a good team ———

Chofe a Com^{tte} to Examin ye Treaf^{rs} acc^{tts} { M^{r}: David Sanger / Mr Amos Livermore / Mr Josiah Bisco }

The (11) article was put over to the Adjournment y^{e} (12) article put over
The the Committee appointed to Prepare Rules for regulating the Fishery reported Some rules which after consideration & Debate thereon. They Voted that Said Committee with the Selectmen have power in the Name and behalf of the town to fix Such Rules & regulations refpecting the Same as they Judge most for the benefit of the town, and Conformable to the Act of the Gen^{ll} Court. —
then the (16) article was read and after Debate thereon they Voted to Choofe a Committee to confer with m^{r}. David Sanger about the Building on the land mentioned in Said article and report ———

Voted and Chofe for Said Committee — { Mr Rich^{d}. Clark / Lt Saml Wellington / Col^{o} Amos Bond }

Then the Meeting was adjourned to the first monday in April 3 O Clock [in] the afternoon at this place ———

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Watertown March ye 16th. 1789
The following Perfons took the Oath of allegiance required by

law to Quallifie them to Serve in the Several Town offices to which they were Chofen, and after taking Said Oath & Subfcribing the Same (Viz)

The Selectmen { Mr David Sanger, Mr Amos Livermore, Mr Thos Pattin, Wm Hunt Esqr:, Colo: Chisr. Grant jur } Jona Brown Town Clerk & Treasr

Mofes Warrin & Israel Cook Fence viewer
Mofes Warren & Jofiah Leavitt Sealers of Leather
Henry Farrington Edmund Fowle, & Joshua Coollidge. Surveyors of highways
Surveyors of Timber &c David Sanger & Daniel Jackson ———
Howards Thomas Mellens & Hugh Mason, ————
Hogrieve Daniel Cornwall
Clerks of the Markets Daniel Jackson & John George ———
Meafures of Wood Daniel Jackson Edmd: Fowle ———
Cullars of Hoops &c Jeremiah Bridge, Samuel Holt ————

Daniel Mason & Henry Farrington Constables
Saml Wellington & Jona: Stone Collectors ———
} took ye oath of allegiance & oaths of office Pr: Wm Hunt Justs: Peace

March ye 23d. 1789 Amos Bond took ye oath of allegiance and he and Jonathan Brown & Christopher Grant junior the oath of afsefsors

Before William Hunt Justs: Peace

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 23d. Day of March 1789. at Lt: Samuel Wellingtons they Directed the Clark to Issue out Warrants to the Constables to Warn all the Inhabitans of the town of Watertown who are Quallified to vote for Governors and Senators to meet at the Meeting Houfe on the Sexth day of April at two O Clock afternoon to give in their Votes therefor ————
Which was Accordinly don

P Jona Brown Town-Clerk

at this Meeting they Directed the Treafurer to Discharge all thofe perfons that make it appear that they are of the Baptists Perfuation from their last minifterial tax ————
1789 March ye 27 Jona Brown Jur was Sworn into the office of Surveyor of Highways Before Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Fryday the third Day of april AD 1789 at L^{t}: Samuel Wellingtons. the following Accounts were bro^{t}: in and Accepted by the Selectmen ———

To Jon^{a} Coollidge Godding to Boarding Rachel Goddard from August the 26 to April the 7. 1789. — — — — — —	7″ 2″6
To Josiah Learned for Boarding the wid^{o} Hannah Learned	13″ 0″0
To Daniel Barnard for d^{o} for the wid^{o} Del^{ce}. Whitney —	9″15″4
To Thomas Sheppard for d^{o} for Abigail Hay — —	3″18″0
To Simon & Daniel Whitney for Spencer Goddings Houſe room ——	3″ 0″0
To the wid^{o} Mary Vila for Mary Learned - - - - -	7″11″8
To James Barnard for Boarding Benjamin Whitney	7″15″8
	£ 52″ 3″2

The above Accounts were made up to the Seventh Inſtant.
The Selectmen Signed an Order on the Treaſurer for the payment ————

At a Meeting of The freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified according to the Constitution to vote in the Choice of Governours & Senators Regularly aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe in s^{d} Town on Monday the 6th-. Day of April AD. 1789 ————

The Selectmen being present, the votes being Called for for a Governor being bro^{t}: in Sorted and counted it appeared that his

Excellency John Hancock Esqr: had 67 Votes ————
The Honorable James Bowdoin Esqr. had 16 Votes ———
Hon^{le} William Chuſhing Esqr. had. 1. Votes ————

The the votes were bro^{t}: in for a L^{t}: Governor being Sorted & Counted it appeared that

the Hon^{le} Benjamin Lincoln Esqr had 37 votes ———

The Hon^{le}: Samuel Adams Esqr: had 50 votes ———
Dr Marſhall Spring had — — — 1 vote ———

Then the votes were bro^{t} in for five Senators for the County of Midd^{ls} and being Sorted and Counted it appeared that the Gentlemen after-Named had the Number Set against their Names (Viz)

Eleazer Brooks Esqr. had. 47
Joseph B: Varnum Esqr —53
Eben^{r} Bridge Esqr —— 54
Nathl Gorham Esqr —— 62
John Brooks Esqr —— 3
Abraham Fuller Esqr — 1
William Hull Esqr —— 6
Isaac Stearnes Esqr —— 2
James Winthorp Esqr — 8
Walter McFarland Esqr 15
Joseph Hosmer Esqr — 59

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At a Publick Town Meeting of The Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in Town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe in Said Town on Monday the Sixth Day of April AD: 1789. By Adjournment.
William Hunt Esqr: being Moderator ——
the Meeting being opened. They proceeded to Inquire whether the Town officers were compleated. and being informed they were not Meſs^{rs} Joshua Grant & Jonas Bond ju^{r} at their Request were Excuſed from Serving as Wardens the present year —— and Meſs^{rs} Moſes Hager & Jon^{a} Coollidge Godding were Choſen in their room
The tythingmen were not Excuſed ————
Then the Committee to Consider the abatement of Tax's made a report of a Number they thought Should be abated and of others they Judged Should be Suſpended for the present
Samuel Jeniſon asked for an allowance for Boarding &c for his Daughter Child. and it was Voted to allow him 1/6 p^{r} week to the time the Selectmen took up the Matter. his tax's and what he has received to be part —
Then they took into consideration an account of Dr Marſhall Springs and after Debate thereon. it was moved that the Consideration thereof be put off to the Adjournment of the Meeting — and the Meeting was Adjourned to Monday Next 4 O Clock afternoon at this place

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the Sixth Day of April AD 1789. at Major Thomas Mellens They Agreed with the perſons afternamed to take care of and Board the poor perſons after named for one year from the Seventh Inſtant at the Rate aftermentioned
Daniel Barnard to take Deli^{ce} Whitney at 4/5 p^{r} week
Thomas Sheppard Abigail Hay at — 7/6 p^{r} d^{o}
James Barnard Benjamin Whitney — 3/7 p^{r} d^{o}

Convers Spring Mary Learned — — 3/- pr do
Moſes Stone jur Ruth Maddox — 3/- pr do———

Jona Brown Esqr: was Sworn into the offices of Town Treafr and Town Clerk. —

Pr William Hunt Justs Peace

may ye 4th. 1789. Moſes Mason was Sworn into the office of Hogrieve By Jona Brown Justs. Peace ———

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At a Publick Town Meeting held at the Meeting Houſe on the thirteenth Day of April AD: 1789. By adjournment. ———
Wm Hunt Esqr: being Moderator the Meeting being Opened They proceeded. and took into consideration relating to procureing ammunition for Militia and after Debate thereon they paſsed the followin Vote. (Viz). That Colo Christopher Grant, mr Amos Livermore be a Committee to enquire into the Quantity of Powder & Ball and Flints now on hand belonging to the town and if their is not a Sufficient Quantity for the Supply of the Train-band alarm list Horſe and Artilery over and above the town Stock then to purchaſe a quantity adaquate to answer the above purpoſes which is to remain the property of the Town, but Subject So farr to the uſe of Said Companies, as the Same may be returned as their Supply agreable to the Militia act, but not to be Dilivered out but by Special order of the Selectmen. —
Then a letter or Remonſtrance from a Number of perſons of the Baptiſt perſwation was read and after Debate thereon it was voted that it lye for the present. ————
Then the following Accounts for Services don &c were read (Viz)

To mr Jedidiah Leathe for Irons &c for one of the Towns ploughs which amounted to the Sum of - - - - - - -	0 " 19 " 1
To the Selectmen for expences the last year - - - -	5 " 9 " 7
To Colo Amos Bond for Service as aſseſsor last year	1 " 16 " 0
To mr Samuel White for do - - - - - - - - - - - -	1 " 16 " 0
To Jona Brown as Treaſurer & Aſseſsor last year	8 " 2 " 0
To Dr Marſhall Spring for Service as Physician &c for attendance on Elizabeth Warren - - -	6 " 4 " 0
The whole amounting to the Sum of - - - - - - -	£ 24 " 6 " 8

which Sum was Voted & Granted to pay ye Same —
Dr Springs other accounts of 6 " 2 " 0 was refered to the Selectmen to Determin upon

Then the Meeting was Adjourned to the 4th- Day of May Next. three O Clock afternoon at this place ————

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 27th-. Day of april AD: 1789. at the Houſe of Lt: Samuel Wellington — They Agreed to have a Town Meeting on Monday the fourth Day of May Next to Chooſe a Representative to Serve in the General Court the year enſueing and Directed the Clerk to Issue out Warrants to the Constables to warn the Quallified Voters to meet at the Meeting Houſe on Monday the 4th- Day of May Next at two O Clock afternoon for that purpoſe

Warrants were Issued Accordingly. By Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

At a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe on Monday the. 4th. Day of May AD: 1789. for the Choice of a Representative to Serve in the Great and General Court the year enſueing. They Choſe Colo: Amos Bond.

At a Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in Town affairs aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe on monday the 4th. Day of May AD 1789. By Adjournment. —— William Hunt Esqr: being Moderator. They proceeded —
The Committee Appointed to Examin the Town Treaſurer Accounts for the year. 1787. laid their Report on the table which being Read. it Appeared that the Treaſurer wa Charged the Sum of 1998 " 10 " 8 " 2
and had Discharged himſelf by receipts & outſtanding Taxs 2044 " 3 " 2 " 1

So that there remained due the Treaſurer of 045 " 12 " 3 " 3
which was Voted and accepted. See the report on file and entered in the Treaſurers Book ——— Voted yt the Committee appointed to Settle the Treaſurs accounts aſsist in Seeing a Settlement made with the old Collectors &c ————
Voted that the Debts due the Town by Bond or Note be Sued and Collected unleſs Shifted to thoſe the town is indebted to —
Voted that the Committee Choſen to Settle the Town Treaſurers

Accounts be Aiding to the Treafurer to Carry the last Votes into Compleat Execution — Voted that the Committee appointed to Examin ye Treafurers accounts last year be added to the prefent years Committee ————

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Voted that the Selectmen be empowered to purchafe the Houfe the property of M^r^: David Sanger now Standing on Towns land or lease the land to Said Sanger, or hire the Houfe for the towns ufe, and act fully refpecting the Same as they may Judge for the Interest of the Town ———

Then the Meeting was Adjourned to the Second Monday in June Next at Six O Clock in the afternoon at this place ———

1789 May ye 22^d^ Mr Nathaniel Ruggles Whitney lodged a Notification of his haveing received into town on the 9th-. Inftant one Sally Brown last from Weston. ————
At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the First Day of June. 1789. at L^t^: Samuel Wellingtons. They Signed an order on the Town Treafurer to Pay the Sum of Fifteen Pounds to Mr Amos Livermore and others a Committe appointed to repair ye Minifterial Houfe — also to pay Mr Phinehas Jenifon four pounds for his Service as Saxton the last year. ————
They also Agreed to Meet the Selectmen of Waltham on the Eleventh Day of this Inftant month of June to Settle accounts relating to the Support of Abigail Ball, and Directed the Clerk to S^d^ Selectmen Notice that they are desired to attend on the Said day at Lt Samuel Wellingtons at five O Clock in the afternoon for Said Purpofe ————
1789 June ye 3^d^. John Remington give a Notification Informing the he on the first day of August last received into his Family one Martha Mohlton from Concord a poor perfon Maintained by that town. ——— See the notification on file.

At a meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown held at the Meeting Houfe on monday the 8th- Day of June AD. 1789. by adjournment but a few perfons appearing it was Adjourned to the 29 Day of this month at five O Clock afternoon at this Place ————

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the Eleventh day of June AD- 1789- at the Houſe of Lt: Samuel Wellington they Agreed with Josiah Learned that he Shall have the Improvement of his Grandmothers Saltmarſh land the present year he paying therefor the Sum of Eighteen ſhillings — and that David Stone have the land he had last year he paying therefor Eighteen Buſhels of Indian Corn —— Edward Richardſon has Notified in Writing that he has received a negro into town as on file.

at a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown and Waltham at Lt. Saml Wellingtons on the 11th Day of June 1789. to Settle the Charge of the Support of Abigail Ball the year past. there not being a Quorom from Waltham they adjourned the Meeting to Wednesday Next at five O Clock at this Place. ————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown & Waltham on the 17th day of June AD: 1789. at the Houſe of Lt. Samuel Wellington They Settled the accounts for the Support of Abigail Ball that has ariſen Since the last adjustment which was on the Ninth Day of June last. to the 20th- Day of this present month. the whole being £ 9 : 18 : 9.

of Which Sum ————	Watertown Part	is	5″ 1″ 9″1
	Walthams do	is	4″16″11″3
			9″18″ 9″0

Watertowns State tax		is	107″17″0
Walthams	do	is	102″12″0
			210″ 9″0

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 18th- Day of June AD. 1789 - at mr Edward Richardſons they let the Wharf in Cambridge to mr Amos Livermore for one year. the year begining the first Day of April last. for 8/6 ————

At a Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe on monday the the 29th- Day of June AD. 1789. By Adjournment. ————

The moderator being Absent, and no Committees being ready to make any reports it was Agreed that the Meeting Should be Deſolved which was Accordingly don. ————

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of L^{t}: Saml Wellington on monday the 6th- Day of July. 1789. ——— They agreed to Request the aſseſsors to meet them on the first monday in August Next. before they Make the tax to take into conſideration Such Perſons whoſe Circumſtances are Such that they ought not to be taxed. the Meeting to be at two O Clock afternoon at M^{r}: Wellingtons. ———
At this meeting they Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay Saml Wellington Six ſhillings being the expence in Settling Accounts with the Selectmen of Waltham, also to pay to John Remington Esqr: the Sum of £ 5 ″ 4 ″ 0 on Account of Lydia Spring the wife of Samuel Spring for the Support of her Child being one years allowance the year ending the 13th. Day of March last.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at L^{t}: Saml Wellingtons on the 3^{d} Day of August AD. 1789. They Signed an order on the town Treaſurer to Pay to Amos Livermore & others a Committee to repair the Ministerial Houſe the Sum of fifteen Pounds they to Account for the Same ————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of M^{r}: Dorothy Coollidge on the tenth Day of September AD: 1789. — They Approbated the following perſons for renewing their licences (Viz)

For Innholders ———— Mrs Dorothy Coollidge
Mr Edwd: Richardſon
Maj^{r} Thomas Mellens
L^{t}. Samuel Wellington

For Retailors ———— Capt: John Fowles
Capt: John George
Capt Daniel Jackſon
M^{r}. Timothy Williams

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of L^{t}: Samuel Wellington on the fifth day of Oct^{r}: AD 1789. They Signed an Order on the town Treaſurer to pay Mr Thomas Pattin for money paid Samuel Jenison - 1 : 1 : 8
to Mr Benjamin Guild for Land left out to accomodate

the road - 1 " 13 : 4
also an order to pay Mr Jonas Bond the amount of the Certificates he lent to the town. to be paid at the Rate of Six ſhillings on the pound which the Principle and Interest amounts to the Sum of — £ 5 " 14 " 0

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 2^d. Day of November AD 1789 at L^t: Samuel Wellington they Signed an order on the Treaſ^r to pay the Rev^d: M^r: Eliot his Sallary the Present year being £ 100 " 0 " 0
They also Signed an order to pay the Several perſons afternamed the Sum Set against his Name (Viz) ————

To Jedidiah Leathe for repairing a Plough - - - - -	0 " 19 " 1
To the Selectmen for their Expence last year - - - -	5 " 9 " 7
to Amos Bond for Serving Aſſeſſor last year - -	1 " 16 " 0
to Samuel White for like Service - - - - - - - -	1 " 16 " 0
to Jon^a Brown for Service as Treaſurer & aſſeſſor -	8 " 2 " 0
to Dr Marſhall Spring for attendance of Eliz^a Warren — — —	6 " 4 " 0
these were Granted at town Meeting in April last -	£ 24 " 6 " 8

to John Stearnes for Boarding Abigail Ball from the 14th- of June 1788 to the 21th- of June 1789	9 " 18 " 9
To Dr Spring for attendance on Mrs Wilſon one of the States poor	6 " 2 " 0
To Wm Hunt Esqr: in full of his Account allowed at this meeting by the Selectmen	4 " 14 " 10
to Thos Sheppard in part for Boarding Abigail Hay -	3 " 0 " 0

at this meeting they directed the Treaſurer to Procure 300 Blank tax Bills for the uſe of the Collectors of tax's for this year ——

at this meeting Dr Marſhall Spring gave a Written Notification to the Selectmen that he had received into his Family a Boy by the name of Bill Tower who belonged to the town of Natick as was last from that place and came to Watertown the day of last past.

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At a meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Lt Saml Wellington on monday the 4th-. Day of January AD 1790. They Signed an order on the Town Treaſurer to pay the perſons after named the Sums Set to each of their Names (Viz).

To m^{r} Saml White for one years Intereſt	5 : 19 : 2
To Mr Nathl Ruggles Whitney in full of his School acc^{t}- - - - -	33 : 6 : 8
To m^{r} Eben^{r} Starr for his School acc^{tt}: allow'd - -	16 : 4 ″ 0
To m^{r} William Stone Collector for Wm Sangers & John Tainters tax's abated in his lists of State tax's	1 ″ 3 : 6
To Amos Livermore and others a Committee to repair the miniſterial Houſe in full of the Grant made for that purpoſe - - - -	10 ″ 0 : 0
To the town of Newton in full of their Acc^{tt}: ag^{t}: Submit Chadwick - -	5 ″ 16 ″ 7
and to Said town for Bezaleel Learned's tax's - —	1 ″ 10 ″ 0
To Dr John King in full of his account ag^{t}: Submit Chadwick - -	3 ″ 6 : 8

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday ye Day of January 1790 at Lieu^{t} Samuel Wellington they Agreed to let the Hay Scales to Mr Jedidiah Leathe for one year from the Ninth Day of this present Month for £ 4 ″ 10 ″ 0 for the year to be paid in Quarterly Payments & Keep the Irons in repair as was agreed to last year. ————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston, & Waltham at L^{t}: Samuel Wellingtons on Monday the first Day of Feb^{ry} 1790. to Adjust the Accounts for the repairs of the great Bridge that had Ariſen Since the last djustment which was on the 20th day of Oct^{r}: 1788. The whole Charge being

£ 7 ″ 15 ″ 11 of which Sum - - -

Watertowns	Part	is	2 ″ 15 ″ 6
Westons	d°	is	2 ″ 7 ″ 5
Walthams	d°	is	2 ″ 13 ″ 0
			7 ″ 15 ″ 11

The whole Account with Weston being Settled it appeared that there was due to Weston £ 1 ″ 7 ″ 7 which Sum the Selectmen Directed the Treaſurer to Pay. which was Accordingly don & a Receipt rec^{d}: for the Same; ————
Waltham are to pay their part as above to the town of Weston —

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 15th- Day of Feby AD 1790. at L^{t}: Samuel Wellington They Agreed to have a

Town-Meeting on Monday the first Day of March Next at the Meeting Houſe at Nine O Clock in the forenoon and Directed the Clerk to Issue out Warrants to the Several Constables to Warn the Quallified Voters to meet at Said time and Place for the following Purpoſes (Viz) ——
First to Chooſe a Moderator of the Meeting. — — — ———
2d. To Chooſe all town officers required by law to be Choſe in the Month of of March or April Annually. (3d.) To Chooſe a Saxton and agree how he Shall be paid for his Service. (4) To determin whether Swine Shall run at large the enſueing year. (5) To give in their Votes for a County Treaſurer. (6) To agree what Schools Shall be Kept. & Grant money to Support the Same, and act any thing thereon they may think Proper. (7) To grant money to Support the poor. 8 To Grant money to repair the Great Bridge, (9) To Grant money to repair the Highways and to do any thing relating thereto they See fitt 10th To Chooſe a Committee to Examin the treaſurers Accounts. — (11) To hear the accounts of thoſe Perſons the town is Indebted to and grant money to pay the Same. — (12) To agree how the Fishery Shall be improved the year enſueing, and to act thereon as they Judge Proper — (13) To hear the petition of Richard Clark and others, and to Act thereon as the town Judge Proper. 14th To hear the reports of any Committees, and for the town to Act thereon as they think Proper. —— (15) To Abate any Perſons tax's the town may think proper in any Constables or Collectors lists, and to Enquire why the Delinquent Constables & Collectors have not had Executions Iſsued against them, and to Act thereon as the town may think Proper —

And likewiſe to Notify the town Creditors to bring in their Accounts to the Selectmen on Fryday the 26. Inſtant at 4 O Clock afternoon at the Houſe of Lt: Samuel Wellington. ———
Warrants were Iſsued Accordingly Dated the 17 Inſtant and were Signed by Order of the Selectmen
Jona; Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 26th. Day of February 179[0] for receiving & Setleing Accounts with Perſons to whome the town is Indebted, the following account were brot: in & allowed, (Viz) ————

To the Treafurer of Weston a Ballance due them for repairs of the Bridge	1″	7″	7—
To Sam[l] Wellington for Cloathing &c in full of his Account — — — —	0″	16″	9
To Jon[a] Coollidge Godding in full for Boarding Rachel Goddard — — —	0″	18″	0
to amos Livermore in full of his Account for Supplys to the poor —	1″	5″	11
to Elijah Bond for Boarding Anna Ranger — —	3″	18″	0
to d° for Supplys to Said Ranger — — — —	1″	5″	0
to David Sanger for Supplys to the poor — — —	1″	8″	9
to Christopher Grant ju[r] in full for d° — — —	0″	7″	6
to Thomas Pattin in full of his account for d° —	0″	9″	8
to William Hunt Esq[r]: in full of his account for d°	2″	4″	9
to Sam[l]: Soden for Credit Joseph Child's tax's —	0″	15″	7
to d° for abatement of Joseph Lee's Minifterial tax's	0″	2″	4
to Sam[l] Soden & Chris[r]: Grant ju[r] School Committee for the East Deftrict being a Ballance of their grant — — — — — — —	17″	2:	8
To Tho[s] Pattin money paid Sam[l] Jenifon for boarding his grand Child —	1″	0″	0
to Thomas Sheppard in full for boarding Abigail Hay — — — —	11″	17″	3
to Jonathan Brown in full of his Account for Cloathing for y[e] poor - -	1″	2″	8
to Josiah Leavitt for a Hammer to Seal Leather —	0″	4″	10
to Simon and Whitney in full of their acc[tt] for houfe rent — — — — — — —	1″	18″	4
to Jonathan Brown Esq for writting Indentures & a Book for y[e] Selectmen —	0″	6″	0
to Cap[t] Phinehas Stearnes in full of his Account —	0″	3″	0
to Benj[n] Hastings in full of his Account — —	0″	12″	8
to Francis Perry in full of his Acc[tt]- for keeping School — — — —	20″	15″	8
to David Sanger in full for a houfe on the town land & a Quarters Rent of a house for Bezaleel Learned — — — — — — — — — —	8″	11″	0
	78″	13″	11

The Selectmen Signed orders on the Town Treafurer to pay the Above Acc[tts] at this meeting John Remington Esq[r]: gave an Information that he had received into Town one Tilly Buttrick & Abigail his wife, Sufanna Sally, Tilly, Ezekiel-Hale and Meriam Children of the Said Tilly and wife, on the first day of December 1789. who came last from Concord. See the notifica-

tion on file. John Cook notified that had received into town one Lovelow Fullar the Daughter of Abijah Fullar on the 22d of Februry 1790 last from Newton See the Notification on File. ————

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Regularly aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe in Said Town on Monday the first day of March 1790. for the Choice of town officers & other affairs Set-forth in the Warrants for Calling the Meeting. They Voted & Choſe William Hunt Esqr: Moderator Then voted and Choſe the following Perſons to Serve in the Several offices aftermen-tioned (Viz)

Jonathan Brown Esqr: Town-Clerk ———

Selectmen { William Hunt Esqr, mr David Sanger, Mr Thomas Pattin, Capt: John Fowles, Amos Bond Esqr }

Aſseſsors { Amos Bond Esqr., Jonathan Brown Esqr., Mr Jonathan Stone }

Town-Treaſurer Jonathan Brown Esqr: ————

Constables Meſsrs Henry Farrington and Daniel Mason. ———

Collectors of tax's Mr: Edmund Fowle for the West District, and that he Shall have 1/s pr pound for Collecting the tax's — then Choſe mr Jonathan Stone for the East District and that he Shall have 8d½ on the pound for Collecting — — —

Sealers of Leather Meſsrs. William Warren, Josiah Leavitt, & Moſes Warren ———

Fence-Viewers Meſsurs: Samuel Wellington and Edmund Fowle —

Tythingmen William Warren and Samuel Benjamin. ———

Surveyors of Highways for the West Deſtrict Lt: Saml Well-ington ————

South Diſtricts Capt Daniel Jackson, East Diſtrict Nathan Coollidge

North Diſtrict mr: Richard Clark — — — — — — — — — —

Surveyors of Timber &c Meſsrs David Sanger & Daniel Jackson

Howards Meſsrs Caleb Cook, and Hugh Mason ————

Hogrives Meſsrs Caleb Cook and Samuel Fowles. ————

Clerks of the Markets Meſsrs Andrew Blackman & Timothy Williams

Meaſures of Wood &c: Capt John George and mr Samuel Holt —

Cullars of Hoops Staves &c Mefs^{rs}: Saml Holt & Jere^{h}: Bridge — Chofe for Saxton M^{r}: Phinehas Jenifon — also voted that the Selectmen Pay what they think is right for his Service ———— Then Voted that Swine Shall not run at large the enfueing year —

Then the Votes were bro^{t}: in for a County Treafurer and being Counted and Sorted it Appeared that the Hon^{l}: Eben^{r} Bridge had 61 Votes

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Then Voted and granted one £ 100 pounds to Support Schools, and that the money be laid out as it was last year. ————

Then a Motion was made for altering the Several School Diftricts and it was Voted to Choofe a Committee of five to consider thereof and Report at next April Meeting. — —

Voted and Chofe for Said Committee
- William Hunt Esqr.
- M^{r}: Amos Livermore
- Capt: Daniel Jackson.
- Capt: John Fowle
- M^{r}: Saml White.

Voted and Granted £ 100 pounds to Support the poor ———

Voted & Granted - - 4 pounds to Support the Great Bridge —

Voted and a tax for repairing the Highways to be 3/ Shillings on a Poll and the Estates in Proporton and the price of Labour the Same as was the last year.

Voted & Chofe a Com^{tte}- to Examin ye Treafurers Acc^{ttts}-
- M^{r}: Timothy Williams
- Amos Bond Esqr:
- William Hunt Esqr:

Then Voted that the Selectmen hire out the Fishery to them that will give most for it for the present year. under the Same Regulations as it was the year past. ————

Then a Petition was read from m^{r} Richard Clark and Committed to a Committee to consider thereof and report at Next April meeting. ————

Chofe for Said Committee ———
- Capt: Daniel Jackson
- M^{r}: Stephen Cook
- Mr Saml White
- Capt: Eben^{r}: Kent
- M^{r}: Edmund Fowle

at the Request of M^{r}: Amos Livermore he haveing been Excufed from Serving as a Selectman the year enfuing they Voted their thanks for his faithfull Services in that office the year past. also Voted their thanks to Col^{o}: Christopher Grant ju^{r} for past

faithfull Services the last year ——— Then the Article relating to abatements was read and they abated Samuel Sawins tax of in m^r^ Jedidiah Leathes list

Then they Voted that the Selectmen with the Aſseſsor be empowered to abate Such tax's as they Judge right during the year. Then an enquirey was made relating the Executions not being given out according to a former order, & after Some reaſons being given therefor They Voted that they be given on or before the first day of April next. Then the Meeting was Adjourned to the first Monday in April Next at 4 O Clock in the afternoon to be held at the Meeting Houſe

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The Selectmen being Meet they let the Shad & alewive Fishery to Mr Edmund Fowle for the present year. for 62 & ½ Dollars to be paid in the following Manner (Viz) twenty ſhillings in hand & a Note to be given for the remainder by the first Day of September Next. ————

Then the Several town officers this Day Choſen were Sworn into their Several offices (Viz)

Sealers of Leather William Warren & Moſes Warren

Fence Viewers Samuel Wellington & Edmund Fowle ————

Surveyors of Highways Saml Wellington, Daniel Jackson & Richard Clark —

Surveyors of Timber &c David Sanger, & Daniel Jackson. ———

Howards Caleb Cook, and Hugh Mason, Clerk of ye Markets And^w^: Blackman

Meaſurer of Wood Capt John George, Cullar of Hoops &c Jeremiah Bridge ————

Sworn by Amos Bond Just^s^: Peace ————

Watertown March y^e^. 8th. 1790. The following perſons took the Oath of allegiance & Subscribed the Same to Quallify them to Serve in the offices to which they were reſpectively Choſen for the year enſueing ————

(Viz) Capt: John Fowles a Selectman; Jonathan Stone Aſseſsor & Collector.

Henry Farrington and Daniel Maſon Constables ————

Then Jonathan Stone was Sworn into the offices of Aſseſsor & Collector ————

Henry Farrington & Daniel Mason Constables, Josiah Leviatt

Sealer of Leather; Samuel Holt Meafurer of Wood & Cullar of Hoops Staves &c ————

Sworn by Jon[a]; Brown Just[a]; Peace

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at L[t]: Samuel Wellingtons on Monday the 22[d]: Day of March AD: 1790 they received a Notification from William Hunt Esq[r]: Informing that he had received into his Family one John Powers from Sudbury his Circumftances unknown ————

also they received an Information from M[r] William Stone that he had received into his Family one Nath[l]: Hill from Cambridge his Circumftances unknown —

Middlefex fs Watertown April y[e] 5th. 1790 - M[r]: Nathan Coolidge was Sworn into the office of Surveyor of Highways —

By Amos Bond Justi[ce]: Peace

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Fryday the Second Day of April. 1790 to receive the Accounts of thofe perfons the Town is Indebted to for Boarding the poor and Supply's &c. the following were bro[t]: and Accepted: (Viz) ———

To Solomon Prentice for Boarding Rachel Goddard 48 weeks to the Sixth of April Next. and Some Cloathing — — 10 " 19 : 6

to Josiah Learned for boarding the Wid[o]: Hannah Learned one year. 13 " 0 " 0

to Sam[l] Fisk Esq[r] for Supplys to the Poor — — — 1 " 18 " 6

to Sam[l] White for Cash paid for the poor — — 1 " 4 " 0

to Daniel Barnard for Boarding Dili[ce] Whitney to y[e] 6 Inftant &c — 11 " 15 " 8

to W[m] Stone for d[o] for Mary Learned to y[e] Same time 7 " 16 " 0

to David Sanger to the Poor (Viz)

Joseph Child's wife	0 " 3 " 0	2 " 7 " 1 " ½
and to Daniel Benjamin - - -	1 " 18 " 0	
other Charge - - - - - - - - -	0 " 6 " 1 " ½	

To Jedidiah White To Keeping Francis White to April y[e]. 1. 1790. — — — — — — — — — — — 2 " 12 " 0

to Fra[s]: Faulker For Bez[l] Learned being a ballance due — — ——— 3 " 17 : 2

To Moſes Stone ju^{r}: for Ruth Maddox to ye Sixth of this Month ——	8 ″ 14 ″ 0
To James Barnard for Benjamin Whitney to ye 6 of this month ——	9 ″ 12 : 4
To John Fowles for Samuel Jeniſon & other poor	0 ″ 16 ″ 1 ″ 2
To the Eſtate of Simon Haſtings Deceaſed - - - - -	0 ″ 12 : 1—
	75 ″ 4 ″ 6

At a Town-Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified as the Conſtitution directs held at the Meeting Houſe on the 5th. Day of April 1790. to give in their Votes for Governours & Senators the Selectmen did preſide

The Votes being bro^{t}: in for a Governour and being Sorted it appeared, that His Excellency John Hancock Esqr: had 37 votes. & the Hon^{l} James Bowdoin had 12 votes

Then the Votes were bro^{t}: in for a Lieu^{t}: Governour & being Sorted it appeared that the Hon^{l}: Samuel Adams Esqr: had 32 Votes Moſes Gill Esqr had 11 Votes and Francis Dana Esqr: had 1 Vote, —————— Then the Votes were bro^{t}. in for five Senators for the County of Middleſex and it appeared the following Gentlemen had the Number Set against their Names (Viz) —

Marſhall Spring Esqr —	3	John Brooks Esqr: — —	22
James Winthorp Esqr —	2	Nathl Gorham Esqr — -	32
Amos Bond Esqr — —	1	Eben^{r} Bridge Esqr — —	32
William Hunt Esq: — —	1	Joseph B. Varnum Esqr	30
William Winthorp Esqr -	1	Joseph Hoſmer Esqr —	15
		William Hull Esqr — —	7
		Joseph Curtis Esq — —	11
		Saml Dexter Esqr — —	1

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At a Town Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in Town affairs Aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe in Said town on Monday the 5th. Day of April AD. 1790 by adjournment ————

William Hunt Esqr: being Moderator; The Meeting being Opened, they They took into Consideraton the Committees report on Mr Richard Clarks Petition and after Debate thereon they Voted to accept the report which is as follows (Viz) That they are of Opinion that Mr Clark the petitioner pay his own Charges. ——————

Then the Committee Appointed to repair the Ministerial Houſe laid their Accounts before the town relating to their Expenditures by which it appeared their was a Ballance due them of £ 15 " 4 " 10 " 2 ———

Voted and Granted Said Sum to pay Said Ballance ———

Then the expence of the Selectmen last year was read & Granted - of 3 " 11 " 8

Then they Granted & allowed Dr Spring accts: for Smith Prentice ——— 2 " 8 " 0

then they Granted to Jona: Brown for Service as Treaſurer & aſseſsor ——— 8 " 0 " 0

and to Amos Bond as Aſseſsor — — — — — — — 2 " 0 " 0

to Chisr Grant Jur for do — — — — — — — — — 1 " 16 " 0

17 " 15 " 8

Then it was moved to make a Grant to Paint the Miniſterial houſe and they Voted and Granted the Sum of £ 6 pounds for Said Service ——

Voted and Choſe a Committee for Said Service { William Hunt Esqr, mr Edmd: Fowle, Mr Saml Soden }

Then they voted that the Treaſurer pay Eires Tainter for his Pew

Then Adjourned the Meeting to the first monday in May Next at three O Clock afternoon at this Place ———

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 5th- Day of April 1790 —

They Agreed with Mr: Daniel Whitney to Board Diliver Whitney one year for 3/7 P week —

and with Mr Joseph Coollidge Ruth Maddox for 3/11 pr d

and Mr: Nathl Stone Benjn Whitney for 3/1 P do ———

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on tuesday the 20 Day of April. 1790.

they Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay the Accounts on the (447) page and to pay Phinehas Jeniſon £ 4 pounds for his Service as Saxton the year paſt ———

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At Said Meeting they Agreed not to alow Lydia Spring any pay for her Child Since the 13th- Day of March last it being thought unneſcary and the Agreed to have a Town-Meeting for the Choice of a Repreſentative on thursday the Sixth Day of May Next at two O Clock afternoon for that purpoſe. ——— alſo to

have another Meeting to transſact Some town affairs at the Same place the Same Day at 3. O Clock afternoon the Meetings to be at the Meeting Houſe in Said Town ————
The Second Meeting to act on the following Articles (Viz) ——
First to Chooſe a Moderator of the Meeting (2d) To know whether the town will Sell any Pews in the Meeting Houſe that belong to the Town and to act any thing thereon they may See fit. ———— (3d) To know if the town will grant any more money to repair the Miniſterial houſe and do thereon as they See best. 4th To paſs on a list of Juriors prepared by the Selectmen. ——— (5th) To hear the Reports of any Committees and to Act thereon as they Judge best. ————

At a Town Meeting of The Inhabitants of Watertown at the Meeting on Monday the 3d Day of May - - 1790. By Adjournment. but a few perſons Appearing they further Adjourned to Thursday the Sixth Inſtant at 4. O Clock afternoon to be held at the Meeting Houſe
At a Town Meeting held by adjournment on the 6th. Day of May 1790. agreable to What is above mentioned. Wm Hunt Esqr: being Moderator. Mr Josiah Norcroſs and Mr Joseph Gardner were Choſen Tythingmen and Lt Jonathan Harrington & Mr Phinehas Jeniſon Choſen Wardens ———
Then the Meeting was Deſolved ————————
At a Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs Aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe is sd. Town on the 6th. day of May AD. 1790. Agreable to a Warrant Issued for that Purpoſe. They Voted and Choſe William Hunt Esqr: Moderator ———— Then the articles relating to the Sale of Pews was read, and Voted that the Pews that was Major Josiah Capens & Eires Tainters Should be Sold on the Second Monday of June Next at. 5. O Clock afternoon at Publick vendue a the Houſe of Major Thomas Mellens. Then Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee for that Purpoſe ———
Then they Voted and Granted 7 ″ 10 ″ 0 to repair the Miniſterial Houſe - and the Same Committee that was appointed the 5 Day of April last git the work don ————

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Then a list of Juriors that was prepared by the Selectmen was read and Considered. Voted and Accepted as on file ————
Then a Committee that was appointed to Consider whether any

alteration in the School deſtricts Should be made reported a New model & after Debate thereon it was put to Vote Whether the Same Should be accepted and it paſt in the Negative ———
Then it was Voted that the Meeting Should be Deſolved ——

And at a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the town who are Quallified to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative. They Voted and Choſe Amos Bond Esqr to Serve the year enſueing in the General Court ——
the Meeting being on the Same Day at two O Clock afternoon and at the Same place ———
At a Meeting of the Selectmen on Monday the 17th. Day of May AD - 1790. They Signed an order on the Town-Treaſurer to pay m^{rs}: Lydia Spring the wife of Samuel Spring late of Watertown the Sum of 5″ 4″ 0 which is in full of What is Allowed her to Support her Youngest Child ———
at this meeting they Directed the Treaſurer to Notify thoſe Perſons that are Indebted to the town to pay in their dues or turn them with Such Perſons as the town is Indebted to the first monday in June Next at which time the Selectmen purpoſe to Meet to See the Matter Settled.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston, & Waltham at the Houſe of Major Thomas Mellens Innholder in Watertown on the fourth day of June AD 1790. They Viewed the Great Bridge and agreed to repair the Same and Choſe one man from each town to do the Service- (Viz) M^{r}: David Sanger for Watertown M^{r}: Thaddius Spring for Weston, & Capt: Abraham Peirce for Waltham ———
at the Same time the Selectmen Settled the account for ye Support of Abigail Ball on the 20th- Day of this present month, amounting to Eleven pounds three ſhillings — of which

Watertowns part is		5″ 14″ 4
Walthams	d° is	-- 5″ 8″ 8
		£ 11″ 3″ 0

Watertown's part being all due to Waltham ——

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Major Thomas Mellens on the 14th. Day of June AD: 1790. They Sold the Pews that were Lately Meſs^{rs} Josiah Capen ju^{r} & Eires tainters to the

perſons that would give most for them (Viz) that which was Capens to M^{r}: David Sangers for twenty pounds & that which was Tainters to Capt: Nathaniel Bemis for ten pounds ten ſhillings M^{r}: David Sanger paid four Dollars as earnest money. and the whole of both to be paid in ten Days with Interest to the time of Payment — the Pews to be on the Same footting with those first Built — ————

at this meeting they also let the Wharf in Cambridge till the first Day of April Next to m^{r} Thomas Clark for Nine ſhillings which Sum was paid down

At a meeting of the Selectmen at L^{t}: Samuel Wellingtons on the third Day of August : AD. 1790. They Appointed Capt: Abner Craft to the office of Packer of Porck Beef &c — and Directed The Town-Clerk to Sware him into office ———

Watertown Aug^{t}: y^{e}. 31th. 1790. The Above-Named Capt: Abner Craft appeared and was Sworn into office as the law Directs. ——

Before Me Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk

September the 6th. 1790 a Notification from Nathl. Ruggles Whitney was received Informing that he had on the 19th- Day of June received into town Eunice Brown last from Weston. ——

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at L^{t}: Samuel Wellingtons on the 6th- day of Sep^{r}: AD 1790. They allow'd Ezekiel Whitney account for care of Sarah Millhorn in her last Sickneſs and at the Funeral as p^{r} account — — — — — — — — — — — 1 ″ 10 ″ 0
also Newton Baxters Account for Board of the Children of Joseph Child to the 7th- Inſtant amounting to — — — — — — — — — — — — 1 ″ 12 ″ 0
They also allow'd the Ballance due Stephen Harris ju^{r} for Keeping Saml. Sangers wife to the Seventh day of this present month — — — — 0 ″ 17 ″ 0
also allow'd Jonathan Whitneys account for potatoes deliver'd to m^{r} Pattin for the uſe of the Wid^{o} Elizabeth Whitney — — — 0 : 3 : 0
They allow'd m^{r} Richard Clarks Account for adminiſtration on the wid^{o}: Abigail Goddard Estate amounting to the Sum of — 10 : 6 : 8
and abated Joseph Childs & Saml: Sangers tax's in his Lists of — 4 : 2 : 10 : 1

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And also allow'd Major Thomas Mellens what was omitted in a former account for Services to the Soldiers in January 1787 being ———— 0 : 6 : 8
They agreed with Newton Baxter to Keep Isaac Child from the Seventh day of this Inſtant month till further orders for which he is to have 2/s pr Week
They allow'd the Ballance due on Charles Nuttings account being — 2 ″ 6 ″ 9

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Mr Edward Richardſon on Fryday the 10th- day of Sepr: AD. 1790. — They Directed the Clerk to Issue out Warrants to the Constables to Warn the Quallified Voters to meet at the Meeting Houſe on Monday the 4th- Day of October Next at two O Clock in the afternoon to give in their Votes for a perſon within the County of Middx to Serve as a Representative in the Congreſs of the United States &c —
Which was Accordingly don the Next day ————
P Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

They also at the Same Meeting Approbated the following perſons for renewing their licences (Viz) —

John Fowle & Co Daniel Jackson Timothy Williams John George Fitch Hall & John Fitch & Ebinr Kent	Retailors	Edward Richardſon Samuel Wellington & Thomas Mellen-	Innholders

At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the thirteenth day of Sepr: 1790 They Signed an order on the town-Treaſurer to pay the town of Waltham Watertowns part of the Charge of Abigail Ball the last year amounting to the Sum of — 5 : 14 : 4
and an order to pay the Revd: mr Eliot his Salary this year 100 ″ 0 : 0
also an other Order to pay Several perſons Named in ye order 21 ″ 18 : 4 - 2
and one other order to pay to Several other perſons the Sums Granted them at last April Meeting Amounting to } 33 : 4 : 9 : 2

Watertown oct^{r}: ye 18th- 1790. Amos Bond Esqr was Sworn into the office of Aſseſsor by Jon^{a}: Brown Town-Clerk — and Jonathan Brown Esqr was Sworn into the office of Aſseſsor by Amos Bond Just^{t}: Peace
Edmund Fowle to the office of Collector

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston, & Waltham on the 2[*] Day of September AD: 1790. at Mr Zachariah Wesons Innholder in Waltham they Settled the account for repairing the Great Bridge that had Ariſen Since the last Adjustment which was on the first Day of February last Which amounted to the Sum of £ 21 ″ 5 ″ 0 of Which

Watertowns	part	is —	7 : 10 : 9
Westons	d^{o}-	is —	6 ″ 10 ″ 1
Walthams	d^{o}	is —	7 ″ 4 ″4
			21 ″ 5 ″2

There being a Ballance due from Weston of £ 4 ″ 4 ″ 1 they gave a Note for the Same — and upon ballance of the accounts between Waltham & Watertown Relating to the Settlment of the Charge of Abigail Ball to the 20th- of June last and the Settlement of the Bridge Accounts to this day it Appeared there was Due to Waltham Nine ſhillings which was paid by Watertown Treaſurer to the Selectmen of Waltham

The Diviſion of fences Between David Bemis & John Tainter & Said Bemis and Aiers Tainter & follows (Viz) ————

Watertown August 9th. 1786.

We David Bemis and John Tainter haveing agreed to leave the Diviſion of our pertition fence to the Judgment of Meſs^{rs} Abraham Whitney and Abijah Jackson, and they agreed that David Bemis Should Maintain the Easterly half of Said Pertition fence with the Consideraton of ten ſhillings to be paid Said Bemis by John Tainter and the Said John Tainter is to maintain the Westerly half to which Judgment we both engage to abide by. Witneſs our Hands - - - -

John Tainter
David Bemis

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Watertown Aug^{t}: 9th. 1786.

We David Bemis & Aiers Tainter having agreed to leave the Diviſion of our Pertition fence to the Judgment of Meſs^{rs} Abraham Whitney & Abijah Jackson, and they agreed that David Bemis Should make and Maintain the Westerly half of Said Petition fence with the Consideration of one pound ſixteen ſhillings to be paid Said Bemis by Aires Tainter and the Said Aires Tainter is to make and maintain the Easterly half. to which Judgment We both engage to abide By. Witneſs our Hands. —

Aires Tainter
David Bemis

At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^{r}: y^{e}. 4. 1790. the Signed an order on the treaſurer to pay the Several perſons the Sums against their Names (Viz) ———

and to pay the treaſurer. 0 ″ 4 ″ 6	David Sanger —	11 ″ 16 ″ 1
as the Selectmen. Expences —	Newton Baxter -	0 ″ 11 ″ 0
	Henry Farrington	2 ″ 14 ″ 6
	Jed^{h}. Leathe —	0 ″ 16 ″ 4
	Thomas Prentic	0 ″ 10 ″ 6

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown held at the Meeting Houſe on Monday the. 4th. Day of October AD 1790 ——— of the Quallified Voters in the Choice of a Repreſentative. ——— The Major part of the Selectmen being Preſent, They called for the Votes. for a perſon to Serve as a Repreſentative for the District of Middleſex. which being bro^{t}: in Counted & Sorted it Appeared that the Hon^{l}: Elbridge Gerry Esqr: had 54 Votes which was the whole Number of Votes that were brought in ———

Watertown October 11th. 1790. —

We the Subscribers Selectmen of the town of Watertown do hereby chooſe and Appoint Jeremiah Bridge of Watertown Cooper to be one of the Searchers and Packers of Barrilled beef, Pork and fish, within the Limits of Said Town for one year from this Date, (provided during that time he ſhall behave well in Said Employ-

ment) In testimony Whereof we have hereunto ſet our hands the Day and year aforeSaid -

William Hunt
Thos: Patten
David Sanger
Amos Bond
} Selectmen of Watertown

Watertown Octr: ye 14th. 1790. The above-Named Jeremiah Bridge Appeared and was Sworn According to law to Quallify him to Serve in the office Above-mentioned —

Before Me Jona: Brown Town-Clerk

Amos Bond Esqr: on the 18th- Day of Octr: 1790. Delivered the following notification (Viz) - Watertown July 1th- 1790. To Jonathan Brown Esqr: Town-Clerk for the town of Watertown, This may Certify that I have taken into my houſe to board with me one William Koho last from Rhode-Island State as to his Circumſtances I am Unacquainted

Amos Bond ———

1791 Feby: ye 20t- Stephen Dana Esqr gave notice to the Selectmen that he had received into the Houſe that was the late Daniel Cooks in Watertown mr John Savage & Rebecca his wife and Son who came from Waltham on Said Day —— also Capt: Nathl Bemis Notified that he had taken into his Family one Suſanna Hovey laſt from Cambridge —
and Dr Marſhall Spring gave Notice that he had taken into his Family a black man Named Daniel Ruds last from Charlestown —

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houſe of Lt: Saml Wellington on Monday the. 7th. Day of March AD. 1791. They agreed to have the annual Town Meeting at the Meeting Houſe on Monday the 28th- day of this present month of March at Nine O Clock in the forenoon and Directed the Clerk to Issue out Warrants to the Constables to warn the Quallified Voters to meet at Said time and place for the following Purpoſes (Viz) First to Chooſe a Moderator of the Meeting. (2) to Chooſe all town officers required to be Choſe in the months of March or April annually ———— (3) To Chooſe a Saxton and agree how he Shall be paid for his Service. —— (4) To determin whether Swine Shall run at large the enſueing year. (5) To give in their Votes for a County Treaſurer. and Register. (6) To agree

what Schools Shall be kept, and Grant money to Support the Same, and Act thereon as they think proper. (7) To grant money to Support the poor. —— (8) To grant money to repair the Great Bridge. (9) To grant money to repair the Highways, and do any thing relating thereto they may See proper — (10) To agree how the Fishery Shall be Improved the year enſueing year. and to act thereon as they Judge proper. —— (11) To Chooſe a Committee to examin the Treaſurers Accounts. —— (12) To hear the Accounts of thoſe perſons the town is indebted to and grant money to pay the Same —— (13) To know the mind of the town if they will Divide the town into two School Districts or alter the present Districts, and to act any thing thereon the town think best. (14) To know if the town will raiſe money to procure a fire engine. and act thereon as they See fit —— (15) To know if the town will repair the fence Near the Miniſterial houſe or make a New one. and Act thereon as they Judge proper. ———— (16) To know if the town will Sell their right in the Goddard place, and act thereon as they See fit. —— (17) To know if the town will raiſe money to pay this town s Proportion of the expence and loſses Suſtained by the Watertown Bridge Lottery to the Managers, and to act thereon as the town Judge best - (18) To hear the reports of any Committees and act thereon as they see fit, Likewiſe to Notify the town Creditors (Except Such as have taken the poor for a year) to bring in their accounts to the Selectmen at the houſe of m^r^ Samuel Wellington on Fryday the 25th- Day of March at 4 O Clock afternoon. —— They also Directed the Clerk to Issue Warrants to Warn the April Meeting for to Vote for Govenours & Senators to be at the Same place on Monday the 4th. Day of April at two O Clock afternoon which was accordingly don

Dated the 10th Inſtant. Signed p^r^: Order of ye Selectmen

Jon^a^; Brown Town [Clerk]

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The Selectmen at their Meeting mentioned at the other Side Signed an order on the Treaſurer to pay the Several perſons afternamed the Sums Set against their Several Name in full of their Accounts Exhibitted this time —— (Viz).

To Abigail Goddard for her care of M^rs^: Child —	0 " 12 : 0
to Stephen Harris ju^r^: in full for houſe rent for Saml Sanger wife & Child —	1 " 14 " 0

to William Hunt Esqr: for a load of Wood for Samuel Jenifon - - - -	0 ″ 10 ″ 0
to Jedidiah Learned for Labour at the Great Bridge	0 ″ 1 ″ 3
to Paul Learned for d^{o} — — — — — — — — —	0 ″ 10 ″ 6
to the Committee for repairing the Minifterial Houfe for a Miftake —	0 ″ 2 ″ 6
to Nathl Ruggles Whitney in full of his acc^{tt}: for keeping School — —	33 ″ 6 ″ 8
to John Capel for a Coffin as p^{r}: account — — —	0 ″ 13 ″ 0
to Elijah Bond in full for Boarding Anna Ranger	7 ″ 16 ″ 0
to David Townsed for houfe rent for Saml Jenifon	1 ″ 16 ″ 0
to Jonathan Child in full of his Acc^{tt}: for Boarding m^{rs} Child — —	6″ 6 ″ 5
to Josiah Norcrofs in full of his account for boarding Saml: Child — — —	4 ″ 5 ″ 0
	£ 57 ″ 13 ″ 4

At this meeting the Account with m^{r}. Jedidiah Leathe was Settled relating to the Hay Scale to the Ninth day of January last & it appeared after Deducting what he paid for Wood for Saml Warren and his account for irons for the Bridge and two pounds paid the Treafurer there was Still a ballance due the town of - £ 2 ″ 2 ″ 6 Still due for which he gave his note to the Treafurer on Demand with Interest till paid -

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at L^{t}: Samuel Wellingtons on monday the 14 Day of March 1791 they Settled all accounts with the town and Josiah Capen and it Appeared there was due to him a ballance of £ 26 ″ 19 ″ 3 which Sum the Treafurer paid and Receipt past between the Treafurer and Mr Josiah Capen in full of all Demands to this Day —— the Accounts in the files for 1773.

Mr Edmund Fowle was Chofen Grandjuryman for the year ——

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen on the 25 Day of March AD. 1791 at the Houfe of L^{t}: Samuel Wellington to receive the Accounts thofe Perfons the town is indebted to the following were received & allowed (Viz)

David Sangers account for the poor to this day - - - - 7 : 18 ″ 6

Solomon Prentice for Boarding &c for Rachel Goddard to April. 5th.	12 : 4″ 6
Thoms Pattins Poor account &c the Ballance due —	1″ 0″ 6
William Hunt Esqrs account poor &c. 6″ 18″ 3 and to be paid out of Whitneys Note 3″ - ″ -	- - 9″ 18″ 3
Eunice Coollidge for Boarding Ruth Maddox to the 6th. of April Next - -	10″ 17 : 9
Joshua Coollidge for boardng Mofes Child in full of his Account —	3″ 1 5″ 6
Phinehas Jenifon's Acctt. for poor &c - - - - - - - - -	0″ 16″ 6
Stephen Harris Jur: Acctt: for Saml: Sangers wife to March. 25th - -	1″ 3″ 5
Caleb Cooks Acctt: for Joseph Child to the 25 of March 1791 — — —	2″ 11″ 4
Thomas Mellens Acctt: for Betfey Benjamin & Child	0″ 16″ 0
John Bullards acctt: for board &c for Joseph Childs wife and Child —	6″ 6″ 6
Josiah Learned for boarding the wido Hannah Learned to the —	24″ 13″ 0
Jonathan Brown and others acctt: for Dividing Goddards Houfe &c —	1″ 14″ 1
Mofes Coollidges acctt: for repairs of the Bell 9/ Newton Baxters Acctt: for do 3/	- - 0″ 12″ 0
James Pierponts Acctt for keeping School - - - - -	21″ 0″ 0
Phinehas Jenifons Acctt- as Saxton the last year - -	4″ 0″ 0
Selectmens expences the year now ended - - - - - -	5″ 0″ 0
	£ 114″ 7″ 10

At the meeting above-mentioned the Selectmen Signed an Order on the town Treafurer to pay the Sums as abovementioned

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At a Publick Town-Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified to Vote in town affairs regularly afsembled at the Meeting Houfe in Said town on Monday the 28th- Day of March AD 1791. for the Choice of town officers and other Matters as Setforth in the Warrants for Calling the meeting. they Proceeded as follows (Viz)

Voted and Choofe William Hunt Esqr: Moderator of the Meeting —

Jonathan Brown Esqr: Town-Clerk and Town-Treafurer. ——

Mr. Amos Livermore Mr David Sanger Mr Thomas Pattin Amos Bond Esqr Chisr: Grant jur Esqr	Selectmen	Jona: Brown Esqr Amos Bond Esqr Mr Jona: Stone	Aſseſsors

For Constables Meſsrs Henry Farrington & Daniel Mason ——
Collector of taxis Mr Jonathan Stone
Voted that the premium for Collecting be 9d/½ on the pound for the West list and 7/½ for the East list ———
Sealers of Leather meſsr Elijah Mead & Josiah Leavett ————
Fence-Viewer Meſsr Caleb Cook & Daniel Mason. ————
Tythingmen Mr Phinehas Jeniſon & Capt: Ebenezer Kent. ——
Howards meſrs Caleb Cook & Jonas Bond junior. ————
Hogrieves Meſsrs Caleb Cook. & Daniel Cornwall. ———
Surveyors of Highways Meſsrs: Jonas White jur, James Robbins, Benjamin Hastings, & Thomas Clark. ————
Surveyors of timber &c Meſsrs: David Sanger, & Daniel Jackson—
Meaſures of Wood meſsrs Daniel Jackson, & Jedidiah Leathe —
Cullars of hoops: Staves &c Meſsrs Saml Holt & Abner Craft. —
Clerks of the Marketts meſsrs Daniel Jackson & John Williams
Choſe for Saxton Phinehas Jeniſon and to be paid as Uſual — then the Votes were brot in for a County Treaſurer, Ebenezer Bridge Esqr had the whole which was 57 Votes. ————
Then the Votes for a County Register were brot: in and it Appeared that William Winthorp Esqr: had the whole which was 18 Votes
Voted that Swine do not go at large the enſueing year. ———
Voted to put off the grant for the poor to may Meeting. ————
Voted and Granted £ 6 pounds to repair the Bridge ————
Voted that a Single Poll be ½ a Days work at the Highway and the Estates in proportion Six ſhillings to be allowed a Day for a Man, and the like for a team ————

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Voted that the fishery be let to the highest bider for the enſueing year under Simeler Rgulations as it was last year ————
Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee for Said purpoſe
Voted and Choſe for a Committee to Examin v^e Treaſrs accttts { mr Amos Livermore, Amos Bond Esqr, Capt: Ebenr Kent }

Voted and Granted £ 100 pounds to Support the Schools the present year
Voted that the Money be layed out in the Same manner as last year ——
Voted to procure a fire engine at the expence of the town ———
Voted and Granted the Sum of £ 75 for Said purpoſe. ————
then the article relating to the fence on the miniſterial place was read and after Debate thereon it was Voted to Dismiſs the Same—

Voted and Choſe for a Com^{tte}- to procure an Engine. { Col^{o}: Fitch Hall / M^{r}: Tim^{o}: Williams / Capt John Fowles

on the Article relating to the Goddard place they Voted to Chooſe a Com^{tte}- to examin into the Circumſtances and report what is proper to be don thereon

Voted and Choſe for Said Committee — { m^{r}: Saml White / m^{r}: Amos Livermore / Jon^{a} Brown Esqr

on the Article relateing to the lottery after long Debate thereon They Voted to Chooſe a Committee to look into the affair of Watertown Bridge lottery and see what loſses the Manegers have ſustained and Report ————

Voted and Choſe for Said Committee - { Capt Daniel Jackson / m^{r} Amos Livermore / m^{r} Edmund Fowle

the article relating to town Creditors put over ———
Then the Meeting Adjourned to monday Next. 4. O Clock afternoon at the Meeting Houſe. ————
In the Evening the Selectmen let out the Fishery to William Hunt Esqr for £ 18 ″ 15 ″ 0

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The freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown who are Quallified according to the Constitution upon Due Warning given Aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe on Monday the. 4th. Day of April AD. 1791. for the Purpoſe of giveing in their Votes for Governor's Senators &c ————
The Selectmen preſideing the Votes were bro^{t}: in for a Governor and being Sorted and Counted it Appeared that his Excellency John Hancock Esqr: had 55 Votes. the Hon^{l} Francis Dana Esqr: 13 Votes.

For a Lieu^{t}: Governor Hon^{l}: Samuel Adams Esqr: had 50 Votes Hon^{l} Thomas Rufsel Esqr: 14 Votes Hon^{l}: Fran^{s}: Dana Esqr 1 Vote

Then the Votes were bro^{t} in for Senators and it Appeared that the following Gentlemen had the Number of Votes Set against their Refpective Names (Viz)

William Hull Esqr - - -	11	Eben^{r} Bridge Esqr: -	54 Votes
Isaac Stearnes - - - - - -	2	Joseph B. Varnum - -	55
Eleazer Brooks - - - - -	1	Joseph Horfmer - -	50
Amos Bond - - - - - - -	1	John Brooks - - - -	53
		Joseph Curtis - - - - -	41

Esquires ————

Then the Meeting was Desolved ————

At a Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in town affairs Afsembled at the Meeting Houfe on the 4th Day of April AD. 1791. by Adjournment. ——

William Hunt Esqr: being the Moderator of the Meeting ——

the meeting being Opened they proceeded and Chofe Mefs^{rs}: Samuel Hager and Mofes Hager Wardens for the enfueing year.

Then the Committee Appointed to examin into the State of the Lottery reported and after Debate thereon they Voted to raife a Sufficient Sum of money to pay the Watertown managers part of the Charge of the Printing the tickets &c.

Then the Committee Appointed to Consider the expediency of the towns Selling their right in the Goddard place. Reported as their opinion that the land might be Sold, except what is Necefsary to accomodate the Buildings which they think best to be kept for the ufe of the town ———

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Watertown April the 4th. 1791.

The following town officers were Sworn into the Several offices hereafter mentioned to which t[hey] were Chosen on the 28th- Inftant (Viz).

Jonathan Stone Collector of tax[es] Elijah Mead Sealer of Leather, James Robbins & Thos: Clark Survey^{ors} of Highways,

Caleb Cook and Jonas Bond ju^{r}: Howards. ————

Caleb Cook and Daniel Cornwall Hogrieves, John Williams and Daniel Jackson Clerks of the Markets, David Sanger & Daniel

Jackson Surveyors of timber &c. Daniel Jackson and Jedidiah Leathe Meafurers of Wood Abner Craft Cullar of Hoops Staves &c

Sworn P Amos Bond Justice of y^e

The Selectmen put out the following perfons for the year enfueing (Viz) Benjamin Whitney to Nathaniel Stone for 2/11½ p^r week—

Diliverance Whitney to Daniel Barned for 4/2 P week —

Ruth Maddox to Eunice Coollidge for 3/11^d p^r week ——

April the 22^d. 1791. Jon^a Brown Esqr was Sworn into the offices of Town Clerk & town Treafurer & afsefsor, also Josiah Leavitt as Sealer of Leat[her] by Amos Bond Just^s Peace —— and Amos Bond Esqr in to the office of of Afsefsor Before Jon^a: Brown Town Clerk ————

Watertown March ye 29th.- 1791 ————

Luke Bemis gave in a Notification that he received into this town one Eunice Adams from lincoln about the Middle of April Last past also Peter underwood last from Waltham in the Said month of April last ——

Mr David Stone gave in a Notification that he had received into the houfe that was formerly Simon Coollidges in Watertown one Daniel Oakes wife and Children who came last from Newton about the tenth Day of may last ————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at L^t: Samuel Wellingtons on the Eleventh Day of April AD. 1791. They Agreed to perambulate lines between towns on Monday the Day of the present month to begin with Cambridge Near the river at 7 o Clock in the Morning, and with Waltham to begin on the Rocks at 11 o Clock in the forenoon, & with Newton to begin below the Distell houfe Near the River at 4 oClock in the afternoon and Directed the Clerk to Notify the Selectmen of the adjacent towns thereof ——

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At the Last mentioned Meeting the Selectmen received the following Accounts and allowed them and Signed an order on the Treafurer for the payment thereof. (Viz) ————

To Mr Daniel Whitney for Boarding Deli^ce Whitney and for Clothing and Shoes the year past ending the 6th. of April 1791 - -

9″ 7″4

To Nath[l] Stone ju[r] for Benj[n]- Whitney for board the year past 7 " 16 " 0
To Moſes Coollidge & others a Committee for provideing for the School in the east District - - - - - - - - 33 " 6 " 8
To D[r] Marſhall Spring for Medecine & Attendance on the poor when Sick in full to this time - - - - 12 " 19 " 0

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at L[t]: Samuel Wellingtons on Mon the 19th- Day of April. 1791. They Agreed to have a Town Meeting on Monday the Second Day of May Next. at two O Clock in the afternoon at the Meeting Houſe to Chooſe a Perſon to Represent them in the General Court the enſueing year ——
they also agreed to have town Meeting on the Same Day at the Same place at three O Clock afternoon to Act on the following Articles. (Viz) ————
First to Chooſe a Moderator of the Meeting. (2) to grant money to Support y[e] poor. (3) To know if the town will their right in the Goddard place and Improve the money Ariſeing by the Sale thereof in Building a Houſe for the poor, and act thereon as they Judge best. (4) To Chooſe any town officers in the room of Such as refuse to Serve. (5) To hear the Accounts of thoſe Perſons the town is Indebted to and grant money to pay the Same. ———— (6) To hear the reports of any Committees and Act thereon as they may Judge expedient.
And they ordered the Town Clerk to Issue out Warrants to the Constables Directing them to Warn all the Inhabitants of Said town to Aſsemble at Said times and place for the purpoſes mentioned who are Quallified to Vote in Said Meetings —— Warrants were Issued Accordingly the Next Day and Signed by order of the Selectmen ————

Jon[a]- Brown Town-Clerk

at this Meeting Amos Bond Esq[r] bro[t] in an account for Supplys to the Poor amounting to £ 3 " 8 " 5 which was allowed. ——

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1791 April y[e] 22[d]. m[r] Jonas White ju[r] was Sworn into the office of Su[rveyor] of Highways by Jon[a]; Brown Town-Clerk — April y[e] 25 m[r] Henry Farrington was Sworn into the office of Constable

By Jon[a] Brown Town Clerk ——

May ye 2^d^ m^r^ Daniel Maſon was Sworn as Constable By the Town Clerk - and as fence-Viewer and Samuel Hager as Warden. & William Stearnes as Tythingman by Amos Bond Just^s^ Peace —

At a Town Meeting Meeting of the freeholders and other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified according to the Constitution to Vote in the Choice of a Repreſentative Regularly aſsembled at the Meeting Houſe in Said town on Monday the Second Day of May AD 1791. —— They Choſe Col^o^: Amos Bond to Represent the town in the General Court the enſueing year ———

At a Town Meeting of the Quallified Voters to vote in town affairs Met on the day aboveSaid at the place abovementioned they Voted and Choſe Col^o^ Amos Bond Moderator of the Meeting — Then they Voted and Granted the Sum of £ 100 pounds to Support the poor the year enſueing year. ——— Then they took into Consideration the matter relating to the Sale of the towns right in the Goddard place Voted to Sell Such a part of the land as may be well Spared ——— Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee for Said purpoſe, and that they Sell it to the highest bider. ————

m^r^: W^m^- Stearns was Choſen Tythingman

Then a Number of Accounts of Such perſons as the town is indebted to were Read as follows (Viz).

To the Selectmen for expences the year past.	5″ 0″0
to Amos Bond Service as Aſseſsor ——	1″16″0
to Jonathan Stone for D^o^ — — — — —	1″16″0
to Jonathan Brown for D^o^ — — — — —	1″16″0
and for Service as Treaſurer — — — —	6″ 0″0

Then they Voted and Granted the Sum of - - £ 16″ 8″0 to pay the Same —— then the Constables laid their Accounts for Services before the town and they Voted and allowed to Henry Farrington as as follows (Viz) For Warning town Meetings /8 pence p^r^ Meeting —— for Warning six Jurymens meetings each /4½ each & a futher sum of 2/ for Serving the Sealer of weights & Meaſurer Warrant /2¾ and to Daniel Maſon the like pay ————

Then the Meeting was Deſolved ————

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May the 9th- 1791. William Hunt Esqr: gave a Notification that

he had received into town two young Men both from Acton in the County of Middlefex. on the Day aforeSaid. (Viz) Cyrus Howard and Nathan Howard their circumftances to him unknown ——
See the Notification on file ————

At a meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown and Waltham at the Houfe of Maj^{r} Thomas Mellens on the 13th Day of June AD: 1791. ————
They Settled the Charge of Abigail Ball which had Arifen Since the 20th- Day of June AD 1790. to the twentieth Day of this month which amounted to the Sum of £ 9 ″ 15 ″ 0. of Which Sum
Watertowns part
amounted to 4 ″ 19 ″ 4
Walthams d^{o} to 4 ″ 15 ″ 8

£ 9 ″ 15 ″ 0

Waltham part was paid at the Same time
and the Selectmen of the two towns Agreed that Said Abigail Ball go to Waltham the year enfueing at the rate of 3/10^{d} p^{r} Week —

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at L^{t}: Samuel Wellington on the first day of August AD 1791. the agreed to have at town Meeting on monday the 8th- Inftant at 4 o Clock afternoon at the Meeting Houfe to act on the following articles (Viz) to Choofe a moderator. ————
(2) To know the minde of the town whether they will pay the lofses Suftained by the managers of the Watertown Bridge lottery. and if they agreed thereto then to raife money for that purpofe and to act any thing thereon they Judge best, (3) to know if the town will raife money to Build a Houfe to Accomodate the poor or repair any old ones that belong to the town for the ufe of the poor and do any thing thereon they think Necefsary (4) To grant money to repair the meeting Houfe, and do any thing thereon they think proper —— (5) to abate any perticular perfons tax's they may think best. ———— Warrants were Issued the Next day and Signed By Order of the Selectmen

Jon^{a} Brown Town-Clerk ——

At this meeting Amos Bond Esqr gave a Notification that he had taken in to his Family William Koho and Jonathan Bird the notice that he had taken Anna Elkins & her Child into his Family
See ye notifications on File ———

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At a Publick Town Meeting of the Inhabitants of Watertown held at the Meeting Houſe on Monday the 8th. Day of Augt: AD. 1791. to Act on Several things Mentioned in the Warrant for Calling the Meeting ——— William Hunt Esqr: was Choſen Moderator ——
Then the 2d. Article relating to the lottery being read they Voted to grant money to pay the Managers their loſses &c ————
Voted and Granted £ 30 pounds for to redeem the tickets and pay the Charges &c ————
Then Voted that the money that remains due from Mr Richard Clark and Mr: Edmund Fowle for the uſe of the Fishery. be Improved for that Purpoſe and So much of the Money that is due from the Estate of the late Majr Josiah Capen be Improved for the use aforeSaid as to make up the thirty Pounds if Neceſsary —
Then Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to Settle the account and pay the Money. ———
Then Voted and Adjourned the Meeting to the first monday in September Next at. 4. O Clock afternoon at the Same place ——

At a Publick Town Meeting of the freeholders & other Inhabitants of Watertown Quallified to Vote in town affairs aſsemebled at the Meeting Houſe on Monday the. 5.th day of Sepr: AD: 1791. by Adjournment
William Hunt Esqr being Moderator being abſent. They Voted and Choſe Colo. Amos Bond in his room — — — — — — — —
Then they voted to repair the Houſe where John Tainter now lives
Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to repair the Same as they Judge best. ——— Then they Voted to make Some repairs on the Meeting then Voted that the Selectmen be a Committee to do what they think neceſsary thereon. — Then the Meeting was Deſolved. —
The Same day the Selectmen Appointed mr. Samuel Holt to be a Packer of Beef Pork Fish &c ————
September ye 8th. 1791. the Said Samuel Holt was Sworn into the Said office. By Jona; Brown Town-Clerk

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At a Meeting of the Selectmen at Lt: Samuel Wellington on the

12th. day of Sepr: AD: 1791. Capt: Nathaniel Bemis prefented an account for makeing a Coffin for Sarah Mellhorn of 14/ which the Selectmen allowed ——
At this Meeting they Appointed Capt: Abner Craft to be a Searcher and packer of Beef Pork & Fish for one year within the Town of Watertown. ————

At a Meeting of the Selectmen at the Houfe of Leiut: Jonathan Harrington on Fryday the 16th- Day of Sepr: AD 1791. ——
They Approbated the following perfons to renew their licences (Viz)

Mefrs Edward Richardfon Majr Thomas Mellens Lt: Jona Harrington Lt: Saml Wellington	Innholders	Lt: Daniel Jackson Colo: Fitch Hall mr Timo Williams Capt: John George Capt John Fowles	Retailors

Watertown February 1st- 1792 ——
Recd- of Jonathan Brown Treasurer for the Town of Watertown the Sum of Ten Pounds in full for collecting Taxes and all other Demands of what Name or Nature soever against said Town of Watertown ————
W. Warren ————
Attest James Robbins ~

A true Copy of William Warren's Rect. as you may see on file -
Attest Nathl R. Whitney Town Clerk ~

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On the 9th Day of January AD 1792 Nathl Ruggles Whitney delivered the following Notification (Viz) ——
This is to inform you that on the 24th Day of December AD 1791. I took into my Family Eunice Dudley Daughter of Sarah Brown from Weston about Eight Years of Age supposed to be in low circumstances ————

Nathl R. Whitney
To Jona Brown Esqr- Town Clerk - As you may see on file ~

At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Watertown, Weston and Waltham on the 19th. Day of December AD: 1791 at Mr: Zachariah

Westons in Waltham they Adjusted the Charge that had Arifen for the repairs of the Great Bridge Since the last Adjustment which was on the Day of Sep^{r}: AD 1790, — the whole account being — £ 25 ″ 6 ″ 0

of which Sum Watertowns part is 9 ″ 0 ″ 7
Westons D^{o} is 7 ″ 13 : 8
Walthams d^{o} is 8 ″ 11 ″ 9

25 ″ 6 ″ 0

Capt: John Fowle on the 19th Day of Dec^{r}- 1791 ~ Delivered the following Notification (Viz). Watertown Decr 19th 1791 — This is to inform you that on the 12th Day of Decr Instant I took in a Molatto Girl by the Name of Sukey Smith, so called, from Boston in indigent circumstances ———

John Fowle ———

To Jon^{a} Brown Esqr Town Clerk for Watertown ~ ~

See the Notification on file ———

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Middlesex fs. To Mr. Richard Clark Constable of the Town of Watertown in the same County Greeting ———

The Selectmen of said Town of Watertown being informed that the several Persons whose Names are borne on the Schedule hereunto annexed, who came last from the Town, set opposite each Name in said Schedule, and the circumstances of the said Persons with their respective Families being such, that the Selectmen refuse to admit them to become Inhabitants of said Town of Watertown, and the said Town of Watertown having never admitted them by a Vote of the same Town to become Inhabitants thereof ———

These are therefore in the Name of the Commonwealth of Mafsachusetts to require you the said Constable forthwith, to warn all the Persons with their Families named in said Schedule forthwith to depart out of the said Town of Watertown, and no longer abide therein.

Dated at Watertown aforesaid the twenty seventh Day of February in the Year of our Lord One thousand, seven hundred & eighty seven

by Order of the Selectmen ———

Jon^{a} Brown Town Clerk ~

A List of Persons not Inhabitants of the Town of Watertown

who came to reside there, and warned out by Order of the Select-men
February AD 1787. ————

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In Congreſs July 4th: 1776: ————

A Declaration
By The
Representatives of The united States

of America in General Congreſs Aſsembled

When in the Courſe of human events, it becomes neceſsary for one people to diſsolve the Political Bands which have Connected them one with another, and to aſsume amonge the Powers of the Earth, the Seperate and equal Station to which the laws of nature and of nature's God entitle them, a Decent Reſpect to the opinions of mankind requires that they Should declare the Cauſes which Impel them to the Seperation.
We hold these truths to be Self-evident, that all men are Created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with Certain unalienable Rights, that amonge theſe are life, Liberty, and the Purſuit of Happineſs: ——— That to Secure theſe Rights, Governments are Inſtituted amonge men, deriving their just Powers from the Conſent of the Governed, that whenever any Form of Government becomes deſtructive of these Ends, it is the Right of the People to alter or to aboliſh it, and to Inſtitute New Government, laying its Foundation on Such Princeples and organizing its Powers in Such form, as to them Shall Seem most likely to effect their Safty & happineſs. Prudence, indeed, will dictate that Governments longe eſtablished Should not be Changed liught and trainſient Cauſses. accordingly all Experience hath Shewn, that mankind are more diſpoſed to Suffer, while evils are Sufferable, than to Right themſelves by aboliſhing the Forms to which they are Accuſtomed, but when a long train of abuſes and Uſurpations. Purſuing invariably the Same Object, ——— a deſign to reduce them under absolute Despotiſm, it is their Right,

it is their duty, to throw of Such Government, and to Provide new Guards for their futer Security, Such has been the Patiante Sufferance of these Colonies; Such is now the Neceſsity which Constrains them to alter their former Sistems of Government. The History of the present King of Great-Britain is a Hiſtory of Repeated injuries and Uſurpations, all having a direct object the Eſtabiliſhment of an abſolute Tyranny over these States. To prove this let Facts be Submitted to a Candid World.

He has refuſed his aſsent to Laws, the most wholsome and Neceſsary for the Publick good. He has forbiden his Governors to paſs Laws of immediate and Preſsing Importance, unleſs Suſpended in their operations untill his Aſsent Should be obtained; and when So Suſpended, he has utterly neglected to attend to them ———

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He has Refused to Paſs other Laws for the accommodation of Large Diſtricts of People, unleſs thoſe People would relinquiſh the Right of Repreſentation in the Legislature, a Right inestimable to them, and Conformable to Tyrants only.

He has called together Legislative Bodies at Places unuſual, uncomfortable, and Distant from the Depoſitory of their Publick Records, for the Sole Purpoſe of fatiguing them into his Meaſures.

He has Desolved Representative Houſes repeatedly, For oppoſing with manly Firmneſs his Invations on the People. He has Refused for a long Time, after Such Diſsolutions, to others to be elected; whereby the Legislative Powers, incapable of annihilation, have Returned to the People at Large for their Exerciſe; the State Remaining in the meantime expoſed to all the Dangers of Invation from without; and Convultions within.

He has endeavoured to prevent the Population of these States; For that purpoſe obſtructing the laws for Naturalization of Foreingners; Refuſing to Paſs others to encourage their Migrations hither, and raiſing the Conditions of New Appropriations of Lands. ———

He has obſtructed the Adminiſtration of Justice, by Refusing his aſsent to Laws for eſtabliſhing Judiciary Powers.

He has made Judges Dependant on his will alone, for their Tenure of their offices, and the amount and Payment of their Salaries.

He has erected a Multitude of New offices, and Sent hither Swarms of officers to harras our People, and eat our Substance. —

He has kept amonge us Standing Armies in time of peace, without the Conſent of our Legislatures. ————
He has affected to Render the Military Independant of, & Superior to the Civil power. ————
He has combined with others to Subject us to a Jurisdiction, Foreign to our Constitution, and unacknowledged by our laws; giving his aſsent to their laws of Pretended Legislation;
For Quartering Large Bodies of Armed troops among us;
For Protecting them by a mock trial, from puniſhment for murders which they Should Commit on the Inhabitants of these States;
For Cutting off our trade with all parts of the world;
For impoſing Tax's on us without our Concent;
For Depriving us, in many Cases, of the Benefits of tryal by Jury;
For transporting us beyound Seas to be tried for protended offences;

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For aboliſhing the free System of Eingliſh Laws in a neighbouring Province, Establiſhing therein an Arbitary Government, & enlarging its boundaries, So as to Render it at once an Example and fit Inſtrument for introduceing the Same absolute Rule into these Colonies;
For taking away our Charters, aboliſhing our most Valuable Laws and altering Fundamentually the forms of our Governments;
For Suſpending our own Legislatures, and Declaring themſelves vested with power to legislate for us in all caſes whatſoever;
He has abeligated Government here by Declaring us out of his Protection, and waging War against us;
He has plundered our Seas, Ravaged our Co^a^sts, burnt our towns, and destroyed the lives of our People;
He is at this time transporting Large Armies of Foreign Mercinaries to Compleat the works of Death, Deſolation, and Tyranny, already begun with Circumſtances of Crualty and Perfidity Scarcely in the most barbarous Ages and totally unworthy the head of a Civillized Nation.
He has Conſtrained our Fellow Citizens, taken Captive on the high Seas, to bear armes against their Country; to become the Executioners of their friends and Bretheren, or fall themſelves by their hands.
He has excited Domiſtick Inſurrections amongſt us, and has En-

deavoured to bring on the Inhabitants of our Frontiers, the Mercileſs Indian Savages, whoſe known Rule of Warfare, is an undistinguiſhed Deſtruction of all ages Sexes and Conditions: In every Stage of these Oppreſsions we have Petitioned for redreſs, in the most humble terms; our Repeated Petitions have been answered only by repeated injury! A Prince whose Character is thus marked by every act which may Define a Tyrant, is unfit to be the Ruler of a Free People:
nor have been wanting to our Britiſh Bretheren in attention, we have warned them from time to time of Attempts by their Legislature to Extend an unwarntable Jurisdiction over us — We have reminded them of the Circumſtances of our Emigration and Settlement here. We have Appealed to their Native Justice and Magnanimity, and we have Conjured them by the ties of our Common Kindred to Disavow these uſurpations, which would I[*]tably interupt our Connexions and Corroſpondance.

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They too have been deaf to the Voice of Justice and of Conſanguinity, We must therefore acquiece in the Neceſsity which Denounces our Sepreration, and hold them, as we hold the Rest of mankind, Enemies in War; in Peace, Friends:
We, therefore, the Representatives of the United States of America, in General Congreſs Aſsembled, appealing to the Supream Judge of the world for Rectitude of our Intentions do, in the name and by the Authority of the good People of these Colonies, Solemnly Publiſh & and Declare, these United Colonies are and of Right ought to be, Free and Independant States; and they are Abſolved from all allagiance to the Britiſh Crown; that all Political Connextion between them and the State of Great-Britain is, and ought to be totally Diſsolved; and as free and Independant States may of Right do.
And for the Support of this Declaration, with a firm Reliance on the Protection of Divine Providence, we mutually Pledge to each other our lives, our Fortunes, and our Sacred Honor.

Signed by Order and in Behalf of Congreſs
John Hancock President

Attest Charles Thompson, Secretary

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In Council July 17th, 1776.

Ordered, That the Declaration of Independance be printed and a Copy thereof Sent to the miniſters of each Pariſh, of every Denomination within this State: and that they Severally be Required to Read the Same to their Reſpective Congregations, as Soon as Divine Service is ended in the afternoon on the first Lords day they Shall Receive the Same and after Such Publication thereof, to Diliver the said Declaration to the Clerks of their Several Towns, or Diſtricts; who are hereby Required to Record the Same in their Reſpective Town Books, there to Remain as a Perpetual Memorial thereof

In Obediance to the foregoing Order the Same has been Recorded
By me Jonathan Brown Town-Clerk

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